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We have received full files of Richmond papers to December 28. They do not furnish any exciting news, but the following extracts are interesting:

THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

The Richmond *Enquirer* publishes a batch of correspondence between Gens. Hitchcock and Meredith, and the rebel Commissioner Ould, which sum up the matter of the exchange of prisoners involved in the old question of the validity of certain paroles given in the field, and the declaration of the exchange of the Vicksburgh and Port Hudson captures. Speaking of the last efforts by Gen. Hitchcock to deliver the exchange, the Richmond *Enquirer* of the 29th remarks:

"An attempt at informal renewal of the cartel has been made by the enemy, under the immediate agency of Gen. BUTLER, who initiated his effort by sending five hundred Confederate soldiers to City Point. Commissioner OULD returned five hundred Federal soldiers, but informed Commissioner HITCHCOCK that the Confederate authorities could not recognize negotiation with Gen. BUTLER, and that there must be no further effort at a partial exchange. If the enemy desire to renew the cartel, it must be done upon fair terms, and through an agent not outlawed and beyond the pale of military respectability."

AVERILL'S RAID.

From the Richmond Enquirer, Dec. 28.

The great Gen. AVERILL has gone not "up the spout," but back into his den. Cast your eye upon a map, and I'll tell you how he went and how he came. He came from New Creek, a depot on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, in the County of Hardy, along the western base of the Shenandoah Mountains, through Strasburg to Salem, burnt things generally, and returned over nearly the same route. Instead of going round the gap where the Parkersburgh turnpike crosses the Shenandoah, and prevented a raid on Staunton, AVERILL left five hundred men to hold them, and passed on toward Salem. The General could not pursue a straight course, leaving Staunton the force threatening, nearly equalling his own. Gen. LEE was informed of the situation of affairs.

Here commences the reign of Major-Generals and military colonels. Maj.-Gen. JUBAL A. EARLY came. Maj.-Gen. LAFAYETTE LEE came. Brig.-Gen. WHARTON came. Brig.-Gen. THOMAS came. Their staffs came. They all took a drink. Gen. EARLY took two. Brig.-Gen. WICKHAM came. Col. CHAMBLISS, commanding brigade, came. They smiled also.

While AVERILL was opposite Staunton, Fitz LEE was at Ivy depot, on the Virginia Central Railroad, a dozen miles from Staunton. A fortnight's warfare, indeed. Everybody thought AVERILL was "treed" now. He passed through Brown's Gap and strung the entire turnpike of Middle Granville, which crosses above Harrisonburg—a miserable mistake. One day's march now. He then marched toward Harrisonburg—then toward Staunton. Another day gone for nothing. He finally reached Staunton, where he ought to have been on the first night. But while he was twenty of time to cross Jackson's Run and INGRAM marched day and night to Lexington, and then toward Covington. They have yet time enough to intercept.

Here was committed the fatal and foolish blunder. While INGRAM and LEWIS were on Jackson to Covington, in striking distance of that place, and the Yankees are marching toward Buchanan, instead of Covington. No man ought to have put credence in a statement so utterly absurd as that the enemy were going from Salem to that place. Such a statement presupposes AVERILL deliberately placing himself past escape, and therefore run raving mad. Such impossible things should never be entertained a moment, much less made the basis of important military movements. The order was changed. The troops turned and marched back, and at night were neither at Buchanan or Covington.

The story is told in a few words. The Yankees passed through Covington, and, to their great amazement, escaped. The rumor about Buchanan was the tale of some frightened fool. The troops in Salem, and demoralization, fled from Salem at full speed, destroying their train and artillery. JOHNSON knocked some in the head; the citizens beat the brains out of others; one farmer in Alleghany killed six; some were scattered in the mountains, and are being picked up here and there; the rapid streams drowned many, but the main part have gone wherever they came; wondering how they did get away. It is hardly necessary to add, the humblest private in the ranks, if he succeeded some enough to eat and drink, not only could, but would have managed better. Old Stonewall would have marched on, caught and killed the Yankees. What LEE thought the writer don't know. They who know, say JOHNSON begged to go to Covington. He made it plain to the dullest mind that the Buchanan story was past belief. What's done is done.

No language can tell the suffering of our men. They were in saddle night and day, save a few hours between midnight and day. They were beat up by their officers with their swords—the only means of arousing them—numb and sleepy. Some froze to death, others were taken from horses senseless. They forded swollen streams, and their clothes, and boots, rattled as they rode. It rained in torrents, and froze as it fell. Ice and sleet covered the ground. Ice was cut from the roads before they ventured to pass over. One horse slipped over the precipice—the rider was leaning him—he never looked over after him.

The whole matter is summed up in a couple of sentences. AVERILL was pounced up by McCAUSLAND, KOONTZ and JACKSON at one place, LEE and LEWIS at the other. Some one suggested he might escape by a ... "Go to Buchanan." HARRY OGDEN's Yankees got after him, and the "Major-General Commanding" lost his pet in the race. The last heard of him he was pursuing the enemy with part of his division—footmen after cavalry—with fine prospects of overtaking them somewhere in China, perhaps about the "great wall." The Yankee was retreating toward the "Devil Hole." FANNY pound for the same place! They did very little damage in the valley.

Here is the moral. Two Marshals under Napoleon's eye were invincible—with separate commands, blunderers. A General of division, with Gen. RANSOM R. LEE to plan and put him in the right place, does well. Moseby would planned execute a fight or strategic movement better than Longstreet at Suffolk and Knoxville, JUBAL EARLY at Staunton.

THE PARADE DOWN.

A correspondent of the *Enquirer* writing from Roanoke under date of Dec. 24, says:

"The loss of the Government is heavy, consisting of a large quantity of cotton which had just been packed here, a heavy amount of corn, &c., in the fishing-house, with some flour. A considerable amount of leather that had been accumulated for the use of the Government, workshops, with harness and other manufactured articles, some clothing, with pretty much all the wagons and teams belonging to the Quartermaster's Department at this place.

The loss of private property in the village and neighborhood is considerable. Some thirty or forty negroes were taken off, and, probably, 150 or 200 horses from Roanoke, and an equal number from Craig, exclusive of those taken belonging to the Confederates. Other species of property lost by the enemy was considerable in the aggregate, and, in some cases, peculiarly annoying, especially in such as had hastily fastened up their valuables and sent them off by express that fell into the hands of the enemy, or had been left behind, where they should.

About 20,000 pounds of bacon was saved by being shipped before the enemy reached the depot.

AVERILL'S LOSSES.

From the Lynchburg Republican, Dec. 23.

The result of Jackson's twenty percent. of actual operations was the complete capture of the Yankee cavalry, about two hundred prisoners, their horses and equipments, a number of carbines and revolvers, forty or fifty wagons (which the Yankees were taking off), eight of AVERILL's officers, including his Adjutant-General, a Lieutenant-Colonel, AVERILL's horse, his servant, and a number of his maps of Rockbridge and twenty counties, the whole of every house we put down, and, in numerous instances, the wearing apparel of the women given. Jackson captured a number of mules and wagons. Jackson's loss was small.

THE REBEL CONGRESS.

The rebel House of Representatives have passed a bill prohibiting any person from buying, selling, taking, circulating, or in any manner trading in the paper currency of the United States.

SUBSTITUTES.

In the rebel House of Representatives on Dec. 22, the following bill was passed by 52 yeas to 12 nays:

Whereas, in the present crisis of the country, it requires the aid of all who are able to bear arms; *Be it enacted*, etc., That no person shall be exempt from military service by reason of his being a substitute, or by reason of his being a member of any religious society or sect, or by reason of his being a member of any class of persons whose occupations are considered so as to relieve substitutes from any obligation or liability contracted or assumed by him, as such substitute. But this act shall not be construed so as to affect persons who, though not liable to military service, have, nevertheless, run in substitutes.

SPEECH OF SENATOR BROWN.

In the Confederate Senate, on Thursday, Dec. 24, the resolutions offered on the 10th inst., by Mr. BROWN, of Mississippi, indicating the measures which, in his opinion, Congress ought to pass—being the special order of the day—were then taken up.

Mr. BROWN then proceeded to address the Senate. He said that the two greatest needs of the country were to strengthen the army and improve the currency. If the legislative branch of the Government and the Executive Power will give themselves entirely to the country, these results may in a short time be accomplished.

The question which addresses itself most earnestly to our consideration is simply this: "Shall the Confederacy stand or fall?" If it is to stand, the pedestal must be built with all our hearts. All criminations and recriminations and differences between the different branches of the Government must cease. We must determine to stand together in the common defeat, or fall together in one common grave.

Our success is certain if the patriotism of the people holds out to the end. Our chief reliance in this contest is in the hearty and earnest patriotism of the people.

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the Secretary read the resolutions which he had submitted.

Mr. BROWN then proceeded to consider the constitutional objection which the opponents of his resolutions may urge. He had the settled conviction, that "when the States conceded the war making power to the control of Government, they gave every identical power to make the main power effective. The framers of the Constitution were fully vindicated from the absurdity of setting up into a war and then trammeling us so that we could not conduct it successfully.

He first proposed to strengthen the army by declaring every white male person residing in the Confederate States, and capable of bearing arms, to be in the military service. He proposed to make additional reference to age or occupation to make the one inquiry: "Is he capable of bearing arms?" Whether he be Jew or Gentile, Christian or infidel, if he is capable of bearing arms, he should be put into the army. What is it that has brought disaster upon us? Where we have sowed we have not been prepared to reap. If the whole military power of this Confederacy had been at Manassas, the war would have been ended soon after its commencement.

We entered the first year of the war by keeping handfuls of men in the army. We venture the second year of the war by only conscribing them between the ages of 18 and 35. We stand to-day with an army too weak to reap when the harvest is ready for the sickle.

Shall we go on blundering to the end of the chapter, or concentrate our military strength and hurl it like an avalanche against the enemy? Is it not better to make short, speedy work of the whole matter? Cease this system of killing off your armies in detail. Want rivers of blood have been caused to flow by the fatal error that we were to have a short and cheap war. We now see the necessity of enlarging the army, and shall we not try to men of every profession? If you are capable of taking up arms, you must do it." He would include the President, members of Congress, and Governors of States in this call. Talk not of "invading the rights of the States." The best mode of preserving the rights of a State is to defend the State from a ruthless enemy. Better invade the rights of a State by calling out all the able men, than by allowing the Yankees to overrun it quietly while the Yankee army wrests the whole State from your possession.

Mr. BROWN said he was not unaware that provisions must be produced. The army and the people at home must be fed and housed, munitions of war must be made, &c. But when you have taken every man capable of bearing arms, how many would be left out to take charge of all these things? He calculated them by hundreds of thousands, and if they are not sufficient to carry on the necessary home pursuits, his fourth proposition provided for the detail of such other persons as will be "absolutely needed in civil pursuits."

He also proposed to repeal all laws granting exemptions or authorizing substitutes, and to take occasion to express his thanks to the House of Representatives for making a clean sweep of the Substitute law, which had sown the seeds of discord and dissension from the Potomac to the Rio Grande.

He was for putting in the army these substitute gentlemen, who were strutting about the country in borrowed plumage, knowing no more about setting a squadron in the field than a spinner.

Next to the substitute law, the exemption law has given more dissatisfaction than any other measure of Congress. What crowds the saloons, hotels and theatres like boxes of red herringe, and fills up all the avenues of travel with men capable of bearing arms? Why is it that the streets of Richmond are crowded with able-bodied young men? Why is it we are over the Confederacy? First, the fatal error of Congress in passing these laws; second, the maladministration of these laws. The remedy is in sweeping them from the statute books! Have neither exemption nor substitutes. Do this and you clear the streets, close the theatre, inspirit and recruit the army, and secure victory where you have defeats. Our flag will no longer trail in the dust, but will waver in triumph over the foe. Before do these things, and the hearts of your soldiers will grow weak.

Mr. BROWN was here interrupted by a message from the House of Representatives.

Resuming, he expressed his cordial concurrence in the views of the Secretary of War on the substitute question, and argued at some length to show that no contract existed between the Government and those who had received substitute money.

He next discussed his proposition authorizing the President to issue a proclamation requiring all foreigners to take up arms or leave the country in sixty days. Mr. B. said he was tired of feeding drones. Whilst we were blessed with abundance and great people were in no disadvantage, he was willing to tolerate their presence, but when they are eating out our substance, and, by their speculative proclivities, are depreciating our currency. They were of no earthly service to us. On the contrary, their presence here was of great disadvantage. He knew of no international law which forbid us from saying to them, "The time has come when we can entertain you no longer." Shall we fail in doing our duty to ourselves for fear some foreign power may take offence?

It may be safely asserted that nineteen-twentieths of these people are engaged in traffic. They are the men who gamble the blockade, depreciate our currency, and appreciate the Yankee currency. The man who goes secretly to New-York, or any other Yankee city, and brings goods here knowing that in doing so he violates our laws, that man is not to be trusted in making communications to the enemy. He would rather the day have a regiment of Yankees turned loose on this city than longer tolerate the presence of such people.

Mr. BROWN next discussed at length the proposition that the Government should provide for the wives and children of destitute soldiers in the field.

There will be said, he so burthen on the Government if you enact wise laws, and have them faithfully administered. But if you hesitate every time a little doing as to power is raised, he would not be responsible for the consequences. In the midst of plenty, the wives and children of our soldiers are starving, and their limbs are exposed to the blasts of winter. Will Congress arouse from its lethargy and apply a remedy? How long will the farmers of Virginia be allowed to enter the whole month's pay of a soldier in the field for a bushel of meal? This is done by men who are allowed to remain at home "that the army must be fed." How long are we to tolerate this state of things? He would say to these farmers, "Disgorge! you can't be allowed to stay at home while others are in the army, and, under the wretched plea of a depreciated currency," wring from the soldiers' families their last cent."

Mr. BROWN said he would recommend by picking these men up and putting them into the army. This proceeding would, no doubt, surprise those grandees who think they have grown too great to serve the country.

Mr. BROWN next discussed the currency question. If there is to be any substantial improvement of the currency let us start this tottering with it. We government ever yet succeeded in paying off by taking up paper—that is, the bearer interest, and leaving bonds that do bear interest. That is the proposition of the Secretary of the Treasury. Never could he be brought to vote for any such proposition. He (Mr. BROWN) proposed the counter proposition of levying taxes upon the property of the country. He agreed with the President, that the debt is the debt of the people. It is growing into frightful proportions, and the time has come to commence its extinguishment. Better undertake to pay some of it, and the other interest bearing notes than see $500,000,000 in gold after the war.

He proposed to tax Treasury notes about twenty-seven cents, and the man who succeed should collect the tax. To avoid the commencement of the intern, he would suggest a convenient time and place for the notes to be presented. Let the agent stamp one fourth as a tax and stamp the other three-fourths. All notes not so stamped should, at the end of three months, cease to be currency. By this plan assessment and collection would be simultaneous, counterfeits would be detected, and what would be left of the currency would be sound. Mr. BROWN further discussed the financial question, and advocated the proposition to make Treasury notes a legal tender.

He would, in conclusion, make all trade in gold and silver. Nothing, he said, has contributed so much to the depreciation of our currency, and the traffic should, therefore, be prohibited. He would give the power to do this to the President of maintaining the public credit. It is a matter of political importance, and ought to shield the people like a shield, and cause to have the power of winding it up again. Without a strong army and a sound currency, what is the Constitution worth? We are not living under a Constitution which requires us to sacrifice our liberties. If he had taken an oath to support such a Constitution, he would disregard it. He had sworn to support a Constitution, which gave to the Government just the powers as would enable it to conduct the war to a successful conclusion.

Lastly, he proposed to declare these laws War measures, and make those violating them amenable to the military courts. He was unwilling to submit legislation upon which hangs the destiny of this Confederacy, to the judgment of some little petty State Judge, who, by his decisions, may turn loose the hord of Yankee deputies to overspread the whole land. He believed that all of the laws he had advocated were absolutely necessary to rescue the country in its imperiled condition. In one State, they might be sustained by the enlightened judgment of the Court. In another, they may be overthrown. If the people values them, he wouldn't trouble Judge Lyon Court, but would make a statement before rapping upon the heels of the officers. We can't get along in this struggle much longer without resorting to strong measures.

Mr. BROWN said, in conclusion, that Union Congress was prepared to adopt such laws as these, the country would be brought to the eve of destruction. When the results of all the long list of martyrs who have fallen in this war, and the untold thousands who shall hereafter fall, shall cover this Capitol as with a cloud, and demand to know the authors of all this calamity, he would not be responsible (if they did not do it) make matters very hot for them.

On motion of Mr. BRANDT, the further consideration of the resolutions was postponed until Wednesday next.

LOSSES IN EAST TENNESSEE.

Our losses by the enemy gaining possession of East Tennessee, says a correspondent of the Atlanta *Intelligencer*, are incalculable. We are not only deprived of the vast four mills of that country, which previously supplied the whole army, but also of vast machine shops and depots, which we had extensively organized at Knoxville. Besides this, we are now entirely cut off from the iron, lead and copper mines of that region, which were worth millions to us. The copper rolling mills at Cleveland, which was superintended by Col. FRAZIER, Government agent, and which were burnt by the enemy, recently turned out 5,000 pounds per diem. Over three millions of pounds had been delivered to the Government. This was the only copper rolling mill in the country, and which kept our supply of copper for caps and cannon. This is another one loosed by the battle of Chattanooga, which we spoken of as nearly resulting in a few thousand men and thirty eight muskets.

THE MARKET.

From the Richmond Enquirer, Dec. 28.

The dullness which upon the opening of the street market, had the general indisposition to buy or sell at this particular period, remains a fact of sufficiently unnecessary. It is proper to remark, however, that so far as indicated by the limited transactions of the last few days, prices have undergone no material change, except in some articles which have declined in consequence of the exhaustion of Standard relief projected in the Confederate Congress. The eight per cent. bonds are now quotable at $100@$102 and interest; the seven per cents. at $107 and interest. The amount of business in securities will continue light until some days after the 1st of January, when the coupons will begin to come in for interest and dividends will create a renewed demand for bonds and stocks.

A quantity of silver-plate lately sold at auction by KEMP, PAYNE & Co., went at $15 ℔ ounce—a little more, according to the workmanship of the articles.

MEDICINES.—The demand for Provisions of all kinds has been very brisk since our last report, and the tendency of prices has been downward. The supply of Potatoes and Turnips is abundant, and for these articles there is not very ready sale; but Apples, Onions, Peanuts, &c., are scarce, and sell readily at our last quotations. Onions are not so scarce as they were a short time since.

Flour is dull and lower. Some of the stock down to a low point, and holders find no difficulty in selling superfine at $110, and extra at $115 ℔ barrel—some asking more. Corn meal is selling at $13 ℔ bushel—$14@$15 at retail.

Wheat $20 ℔ bushel, corn, $11; rye, $11; oats, $8. Brown sugar, 3rm, at $2 25@$2 50 ℔ ℔. Sorghum molasses, $20 ℔ gallon. Other groceries unchanged. The market is now better supplied with liquors, and prices have declined. We quote Apple Brandy at $45@$60; Whisky, $55@$75. The demand this week has been active.

Provisions of all kinds have been selling at full rates. Bacon, $3@$3 25 ℔ ℔.; hogs, $2 25; Beef, $2@$3c.; Corned Pork, $2 37½@$2 50; Butter, $4 50@$5; Venison, $1 75; Poultry, $1 50 ℔ ℔. Tobacco has been quiet.

THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Bad Condition of the Roads—Recollections—The Rebel Army—"Mosby on the Brain"—Quietness for the Winter.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, Sunday, Dec. 27, 1863.

The clear, bracing weather of the past few days has given way to a warm, but at the same time, very disagreeable rain-storm, and the roads are again in a shocking condition. The Holiday festivities are pretty much over, as a majority of both officers and men have their time mostly occupied in making preparations to remain in the Veteran corps. This involves no small amount of labor, for before the men can take advantage of their furlough for thirty-five days they have to be regularly mustered out of the service and then mustered in again—all of which takes considerable time.

Everything is quiet throughout the army, and in all probability will remain so for some months to come, until another season, in fact, so that the army for all intents and purposes, hibernates for the Winter. Deserters from the rebel army come in daily, but they have little or no news of importance to communicate. Lee's army is in its old position near Orange Court-house, with an increased force at the fords of Fredericksburg, ready, doubtless, to defend the heights there in case this army should attempt to move in that direction. The rumor that the enemy intends to fall back to the vicinity of Richmond seems to have no foundation whatever, and the best evidence of this is that they have constructed huts for quarters, and withdrawn most of their cavalry from the picket line in front. This they have always done in the Winter time—so as to recruit both horses and men, and have them fresh for the Spring campaign. The same plan might be carried out to advantage with the cavalry in this army. It is very generally believed that the enemy intend to increase their cavalry force to the fullest extent possible during the present Winter, and, next Spring, endeavor to regain their prestige—lost during last Summer and Fall. HAMPTON, it is believed, will supersede STUART in command of the 25,000 cavalry they expect to have when the Spring campaign opens.

A stamp in the vicinity of headquarters was started out of its propriety, a few nights ago, by the unseemly conduct of a private soldier under the influence of commissary whisky. The officer of the day heard some one screaming murder, at the top of his voice, and running to the spot indicated by the sound, he found a man inhabiting under a guard establishment, who said he had just been kicked—inside the camp—by a party of Mosby's men. This alarming intelligence caused the officer of the day to promptly send out the reserve guard and search for the intruders. While this was being done, the man who had been there was taken to Chief Provost Marshal's tent, to wait the return of the search. Meanwhile, he was being examined, it was quite apparent that he was suffering from an overdose of commissary whisky—Mosby on the brain, some call it.

Some days have elapsed since the guerrillas have made any demonstration upon the Orange and Alexandria Railroad—the last being at Bristoe Station on Friday of last week. Since then, while the expected duty beyond the infantry guard, has been thoroughly performed and the guard increased. It is not probable any serious demonstration will again be made during the present Winter, unless commanders are lulled into a state of security not warranted by the position they occupy, and the dodge marked out for them by Mosby.

Regiments of the Eleventh and New-York Veterans, recruited as veterans, were paid their bounty money yesterday and to-day, and another company will be expected, be paid to-morrow. These companies will leave here on Tuesday or Wednesday, to report at New-York City by Thursday morning, as ordered by Major-General Dix.

E. A. PAUL.

GEN. GRANT'S DEPARTMENT.

Raid by Wheeler's Rebel Cavalry.

The Rebels Severely Defeated by Col. Long.

DISPATCH FROM MAJOR-GENERAL THOMAS.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The following has been received at the Headquarters of the Army:

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 29.

Maj.-Gen. E. M. Stanton, Secretary-in-Chief:

Col. LONG, of the Fourth Ohio cavalry, commanding the Second division of cavalry, reports from Calhoun, Tenn., Dec. 26, that the rebel Gen. WHEELER, with 1,800 or 2,000 cavalry and mounted infantry attacked Col. LONG, and captured a supply train from Chattanooga for Knoxville, about 10 this morning at Charleston, on the south bank of the Hiwassee. The train cannot have reached the commissary at Charleston last night, and Col. LONG's skirmishers were wholly engaged with the enemy this morning before Col. LONG was apprised of their approach. He immediately moved the small force for duty in his camp, (at the time 150 men) and crossed to Col. LONG's support. The rebels shortly afterward gave way, Col. LONG pursuing them closely. Discovering a portion of their force out of on the right, he charged them with sabres, completely demoralizing and scattering them in great confusion and in every direction. Seventy of the enemy (number not known) were killed and wounded. One hundred and twenty-five prisoners were captured, including five commissioned officers. The main rebel column was not with the pursued six five miles to the Dalton road, and when last seen was fleeing precipitately. Col. LONG lost one man slightly wounded.

The officer in command of the Courier Station at Cleveland also reports that he was attacked early this morning, Dec. 28, by a force of one hundred rebels. No details since all, however.

GEORGE H. THOMAS, Maj.-Gen. Com'g.

GEN. KELLEY'S DEPARTMENT.

A Rebel Force Marches Down the Shenandoah Valley—Deserters and the Amnesty.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1863.

Gen. KELLEY has received information from Gen. SCHENCK—the latter getting it from other deserters just from the Shenandoah Valley—that the rebel Gen. RAMSEY, with nine thousand men, is between New-Market and Mount Jackson. Gen. ROSECRANS also has seven hundred rebel troops and Gen. JENKINS Afton hundred men.

There is great dissatisfaction among the rebels, and the desertion more of the President's Proclamation, &c., with surprise and hastened to come in. They declare that if the Proclamation could be distributed freely among the rebel troops thousands would at once enter our lines. They say the Proclamation is kept from the men although the officers have received it.

Gen. KELLEY is anxious that Gen. RAMSEY should extend his march towards Harper's Ferry, or Martinsburgh, as Gen. KELLEY has made full preparations to give him a suitable reception.

MEXICO.

Morelia Occupied by the French Troops—Juarez and his Ministers gone to Durango—The Proposed Mexican Monarchy—A New Difficulty in the way.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, Dec. 29.

The French paper of this city has received news from the City of Mexico to the 7th inst.

The French troops entered Morelia on the 20th of November, without opposition.

Gen. BAZAINE has occupied Acambaro.

Gen. BAZAINE was at Celaya, where Gen. COMONFORT was assassinated.

Gen. MEJIA occupied San Miguel.

JUAREZ and his ministers are said to have left for Durango.

Gen. BAZAINE has concentrated 12,000 French troops at Celaya, and Gen. DORE was at Salamanca, 25 leagues from Guanajuato.

It is stated that the Governments of Holland and of Spain have recognized the new Mexican Government.

Gen. NEGRETE has succeeded Gen. COMONFORT as Minister of War to JUAREZ.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The following was received via Galway, not through our agent, and brought here by the *Adriatic*:

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* says the Archduke MAXIMILIAN considered the recognition by the Washington Government of the new Mexican Monarchy as indispensable to his acceptance of the throne.

The proposal was formally made by the French Government to President LINCOLN's Cabinet. A dispatch from Washington in reply was to the effect that the American Republic would never tolerate, much less recognize, a monarchy established at their very doors.

It is supposed that this will decide the Archduke to abandon the idea of accepting the throne of Mexico.

The Fifth Vermont Regiment.

HUNTINGTON, VT., Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The Fifth Vermont regiment, which is the first New-England regiment that has reenlisted for three years, arrived here to-day, and was received with the firing of cannon and the ringing of bells. The regiment, which numbers 350 men, was escorted to the Town Hall by the Third Vermont battery. Many distinguished citizens, several Provost-Marshals of the State, and Gen. FOWLER, Assistant Provost-Marshal-General, participated in the reception.

Government Loan.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The agent reports the sale of $1,747,400 in five-twenties on Wednesday. The subscriptions of bonds are being made from December 1, inclusive.

BATTLE RECORD FOR 1863.

Chronological Table of the Events of the Year.

Our Victories and Defeats by Land and Sea.

The Great Battles and Events of the Year.

JANUARY.

1.—THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION GO FREE. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, DECLARING SLAVES IN THE INSURRECTIONARY STATES AND DISTRICTS FOREVER AND HENCEFORWARD FREE, issued.... The battle of Murfreesboro, Tenn., commenced Dec. 31, 1862, continued. The engagement opened at dawn by Gen. ROSECRANS. The battle was hotly contested, and the losses great on both sides.... The rebel guerrilla MORGAN defeated in Kentucky.... Emancipation Jubilee of the negroes at Hilton Head, S. C.... The rebel Gen. FRANNER defeated at Hunt's Cross Roads, Tenn., by Gen. SULLIVAN.... Galveston, Texas, recaptured by the rebels, who also took the steamer *Harriet Lane*. The steamer *Westfield* was blown up by its commander to prevent it from falling into the hands of the rebels.... Gen. BUTLER and Staff arrived in New-York City from New-Orleans.... Charges preferred against the New-York Police Commissioners for illegal action in making arrests for treason, &c.

1.—Battle of Murfreesboro, Tenn., continued, the rebels being repulsed in an attack on our left wing.... Gen. SHERMAN's force, operating against Vicksburgh, was withdrawn from the Yazoo River.... Dumfries entered by STUART's cavalry, who captured some public stores, &c.... Gen. BURNSIDE returned to the Army of the Potomac from Washington.

2.—The rebels retreated from the battle-field of Murfreesboro.... Gov. SEWARD, of New-York, appointed this day for the trial of the New-York Police Commissioners.... Arrest of ISAAC M. COOK, in Cincinnati, as a defaulting Paymaster.... Arrival in New-York of a cavalry company from California.... Our forces at Moorefield, West Va., attacked.... The boat containing a missing portion of the *Monitor's* crew picked up on Hatteras Shoals.... Department of the East, including the New-England States, and the State of New-York, created, and Gen. JOHN E. WOOL assigned to its command.

5.—Murfreesboro, Tenn., occupied by a National force.... J. P. USHER, of Indiana, nominated as Secretary of the Interior.... Gen. MILROY, in Western Virginia, issued a proclamation notifying the people of Winchester and neighborhood of the provisions of the President's Emancipation Proclamation.

6.—Gen. CARTER's Union force reached Manchester, Ky., on its return from a raid into East Tennessee, where they destroyed bridges and took a number of prisoners.

7.—Successful reconnoissance of Union troops from Yorktown in the neighborhood of West Point, Va.

8.—Springfield, Mo., attacked by the rebels.... Rebel camp at Ruggles's Mills, near Fort Pillow, surprised.... Steamer *Mississippian* burned by guerrillas near Memphis, Tenn.

8.—Order issued by Gen. HALLECK, thanking Gen. ROSECRANS and his army for the victory at Murfreesboro.... Return of the reconnoitering expedition from West Point, Va., to Fort Monroe.... The rebels repulsed at Providence Church, on the Blackwater, Va.

10.—Cavalry skirmish at Catlett's Station, Va.... Battle at Arkansas Post commenced.... English steamer *Rising Dawn* captured.... Brig. *J. P. Ellicott* captured by the privateer *Retribution*.

11.—Fort Hindman and Arkansas, forts on the Arkansas River, surrendered by the rebels.... Fight at Huntsville, Mo.... Union gunboat *Hatteras* sunk by the *Alabama*, on the coast of Texas.... Gen. WHEELER crossed Berwick Bay and attacked the rebel gunboat *Cotton* in the Bayou Teche.

12.—Gen. JOHN E. WOOL assumed command of the Department of the East headquarters at New-York City.... JEFF. DAVIS' Message sent to the rebel Congress.... Gen. JOHN A. MCCLERNAND congratulated his army on the capture of Arkansas Post.

13.—Peace resolutions introduced into the New-Jersey Legislature.

14.—Col. JAMES W. WALL elected United States Senator from New-Jersey.... Engagement at the Bayou Teche, La.... Lieut.-Commander (Union) THOS. MCKEON BUCHANAN killed.

15.—Union gunboat *Columbia* destroyed by rebels near Wilmington, N. C.

16.—Rebel privateer *Oreto* ran the blockade out of Mobile.

17.—Steamer *Vanderbilt* arrived at Fortress Monroe after an unsuccessful cruise after the *Alabama*.... Rebel privateer *Oreto* destroyed the brig *Estelle*.

18.—Gen. HUNTER arrived at Hilton Head to take command of the Department of the South.... A large fleet sailed from Napoleon and Memphis for Young's Point and Milliken's Bend, near Vicksburgh, on this and the following days.

20.—Gen. BURNSIDE announced to the Army of the Potomac that it was about to meet the enemy again.... Gen. HOOKER assumed command of their Department of the South.... The rebel privateer *Alabama* arrived at Jamaica.

21.—The expedition under Gen. GRANT, from Napoleon, arrived at Young's Point, nine miles from Vicksburgh.... Engagement near Sabine Pass, Galveston, Texas.... Gunboat *Morning Light* and the bark *Velocity*, captured by the rebels at Sabine Pass, Texas.

24.—Gen. BURNSIDE relieved of the command of the Army of the Potomac, and the command assigned to Gen. HOOKER.

25.—Cars on the railroad, between Nashville and Franklin, Tenn., destroyed by rebels.... The iron-clad *Montauk* arrived at Fort McAllister, Ga.

26.—Gen. BURNSIDE turned over the command of the Army of the Potomac to Gen. HOOKER.... Gen. HOOKER, in general orders, assumed command.... Gen. W. B. FRANKLIN, having been relieved of his command in the Army of the Potomac, took charge of his division.... Gen. SUMNER relieved of his command.... Bark *Golden Rule* burned by the *Alabama*.... Ship *Westbrook* captured by the *Alabama*.

28.—Gen. HOOKER visited Washington.... THURLOW WEED took leave of the Albany *Evening Journal*.... Cavalry skirmish at Middleburgh, Va.... Gen. BURNSIDE arrived in New-York.... A. D. BOILEAU, proprietor of the Philadelphia *Evening Journal*, arrested by order of the Government.... Bombardment of Fort McAllister, on the Ogeechee River, Ga., by the *Montauk*.... Brig *Chatterton* burned by the *Alabama*.

29.—Excitement in Philadelphia over the arrest of the editor of the *Evening Journal*.... Charge of Judge LUDLOW to the Grand Jury on the subject.... English steamer *Princess Royal* captured off Charleston, S. C.

30.—Victory of Gen. CONCORAN over the rebel Gen. ROGER A. PRYOR's force near the Blackwater, the engagement being called the Battle of the Deserted House.... Union gunboat *Isaac Smith*, captured by the rebels in the Stono River, S. C.

31.—The fleet blockading Charleston, S. C., attacked by the rebel iron-clads *Chicora* and *Palmetto State*.... Gen. BEAUREGARD and Flag-Officer D. N. INGRAHAM (rebel), formally declared by proclamation that the blockade of Charleston, S. C., was raised.... Union gunboat *Mercedita* surrendered.... J. P. BENJAMIN, Secretary of State of the Confederate States, gave official notice that the blockade was broken.... Schooner *Hanover* destroyed by the *Retribution*.

FEBRUARY.

1.—Franklin, Tenn., occupied by Federal forces.... A. J. BOILEAU, editor of the Philadelphia *Evening Journal*, released from Fort McHenry.... Fort McAllister, Ga., again attacked.... Gunboat *New Era* attacked Island No. 10.

2.—A bill providing for the employment of negro soldiers passed the United States House of Representatives.... Rebel camp at Middletown, Tenn., surprised.... Department of Washington, under command of Gen. HEINTZELMAN, constituted.... The Union ram *Queen of the West* ran past the rebel batteries at Vicksburgh, and attacked the rebel steamer *City of Vicksburgh*.

3.—The rebels repulsed in an attack on our forces at Dover, Tenn., by Union gunboats.... Fort Donelson, Tenn., invested by the rebels.

4.—Engagement at Fort McAllister, Ga.

5.—Our forces repulsed a rebel attack on Fort Donelson, Tenn.... Union ram *Queen of the West* returned from her expedition past the batteries of Vicksburgh, having destroyed three rebel transports and an immense quantity of rebel stores.

6.—Raid of Union cavalry to Middleburgh and Aldie, Va.

7.—Reconnoissance from the right wing of the Army of the Potomac.... Engagement near Williamsburgh, Va.

8.—Our forces entered Lebanon, Tenn., capturing a number of rebels.

9.—Collision between the transport *North Star* and the steamer *Ella Warley* near Savey Hook.... Reconnoitering expedition, under Col. WYNDHAM, left Centreville, Va.

10.—Gen. ROSECRANS issued an order declaring that all rebel soldiers found in National uniforms should not be treated as prisoners of war, or receive quarter in battle.... Official denial that the blockade at Charleston, S. C., had been raised.

11.—Secretary SEWARD transmitted to the Senate a communication relative to the visit of the French Minister to Richmond.

12.—Passage of the National Currency bill by the Senate.... Slight skirmish near Smithfield, Va.... Great fire at Norfolk, Va.... Ship *Jacob Bell*, from China, captured and burned by the *Florida*.... Rebel fort on Pelican Island, near Galveston, Texas, shelled by the *Brooklyn*.

13.—A Court of Inquiry, relative to cotton and other traffic on the Mississippi River, instituted.... Skirmish near Bolivar, Tenn.... Gunboat *Indianola* ran the blockade at Vicksburgh.

15.—Slight skirmish near Nolinsville, Ky.

16.—The Conscription bill passed by the United States Senate.... Brig.-Gen. THOS. C. STEVENSON placed in arrest by Gen. HUNTER, at Port Royal, for objecting to fight in company with negroes.

18.—Gen. BEAUREGARD issued a proclamation announcing that an attack on Charleston and Savannah would probably soon be made.... Bombardment of Vicksburgh, Miss.

19.—Brig *Emily Fisher* captured and bonded by the privateer *Retribution*.

20.—The National Currency Bill passed the House of Representatives.... United States steamer *Alabama* left St. Thomas in search of the *Florida*.... The *Vanderbilt* left St. Thomas on a cruise for privateers.

21.—The pirate *Alabama* burned the bark *Olive Jane*.

22.—Richmond, Ky., occupied by rebel cavalry.... Tuscumbia, Ala., reached by a Union cavalry force.... Ship *Golden Eagle* destroyed by the *Alabama*.

23.—Bill authorizing the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus passed by the United States Senate.

24.—The iron-clad gunboat *Indianola* captured by the rebels near Vicksburgh.... Some shells thrown into Galveston, Texas, by the *Brooklyn*.

25.—Cavalry skirmish at Piedmont Farm, Va.... Cavalry fight near Strasburgh, Va. Our forces defeated.... Privateer *Retribution* arrived at Nassau.... Capture of the Angl

San Francisco as privateer....The *Jefferson* newspaper office destroyed at Richmond, Ind.

16.—Great Union meeting in Brooklyn....Gen. ROSECRANS reported the exploits of his cavalry....Water admitted into the canal at Lake Providence, near Vicksburgh.

17.—Col. JAMES B. FRY appointed Provost-Marshal-General....Spirited fighting on the Blackwater—unsuccessful attempt to carry the rebel breastworks....Brilliant cavalry fight at Kelly's Ford on the Rappahannock....Steamer *Calypso* arrived at Charleston, S. C., having run the blockade.

19.—The rebel cavalry crossed Duck River, advancing toward Franklin, Tenn., but were driven back by Union cavalry....Rebel guerrillas attacked a railroad train near Richland, Ky....Anglo-rebel steamer *Georgiana* ran ashore near Charleston.

20.—Engagement at Milton, Tenn....Two of Commodore FARRAGUT's vessels arrived at the mouth of the canal opposite Vicksburgh....Fight at Auburn, Tenn.

21.—Steamer *Nicholas I.* captured off Wilmington, N. C....Steamer *Aries* captured off Charleston....*Death of Gen. E. V. SUMNER.*

22.—Gen. WOOD, commanding the Department of the East, issued an order relative to deserters....Capture of Mount Sterling, Ky., by rebels, who burned the town....Steamer *Granite City* captured off the Bahamas....Steamer *Bee Bee* burned at New-Orleans.

23.—Our pickets at Chantilly attacked....A portion of Pensacola, Fla., destroyed by Union troops.

24.—Capture of a guerrilla party near Stafford Court-house, Va....Our fleet commenced entering the Yazoo Pass near Vicksburgh.

25.—Capture of Union troops at Brentwood, Tenn....Union rams *Lancaster* and *Switzerland* attempted to run past the batteries at Vicksburgh, the former being sunk and the latter captured....JEFF. DAVIS signed a bill for the impressment of property.

26.—Skirmish near Camp Dick Robinson, Ky....Orange Grove, Fla., occupied by a Union regiment of colored soldiers.

27.—Fast day in the Confederate States....Deserter shot at Indianapolis, Ind....Arrest of the rebel Col. TALCOTT in New-York....Palatka, Fla., occupied by a Union regiment of colored troops....Admiral FARRAGUT engaged the rebel batteries at Warrenton, three miles below Vicksburgh....Bark *Lafayette* and *M. J. Colcord* taken by the *Florida*....United States troops landed at Cole's Island, near Charleston, S. C....Bombardment of Fort Pemberton, Vicksburgh, commenced.

28.—Danville, Ky., recaptured by Union troops....A Union train captured between Memphis, Tenn., and Grand Junction....Cole's Island, nine miles from Charleston, S. C., taken possession of by Union troops....Steamer *Aries* captured running the blockade at Charleston, S. C....Union gunboat *Diana* captured by rebels in Louisiana....Our pickets at Washington, N. C., driven in....Our fleet reached the Coldwater River, near Vicksburgh, by the Yazoo Pass.

29.—Williamsburgh, Va., attacked by the rebels.

30.—Point Pleasant, Va., captured by rebels, but subsequently recaptured....Commencement of the investment of Washington, N. C....Richmond, near Vicksburgh, taken possession of by our forces.

31.—Great Union meeting in Washington....Sharp battle near Somerset, Ky.—the rebels defeated....Jacksonville, Fla., evacuated by Union troops, the town having been burned by them....Union gunboat *St. Clair* attacked by the rebels on the Cumberland....Woods near Washington, N. C., shelled by Union gunboats....The rebels opened fire on the fort back of Washington, N. C., the place being closely invested by the rebels....The rebel batteries at Grand Gulf on the Mississippi attacked....Schooner *Antelope* captured off Charleston, S. C.

APRIL.

1.—Sharp cavalry fight at Broad Run, Va., near Drainesville, Va.

2.—Grand reception of Gen. BUTLER at the New-York Academy of Music....Rebel attack on our iron-clads at Tuscumbia, Ala....Serious bread riot in Richmond, Va....A large number of women attacked the storehouses.

3.—The rebel Gen. MORGAN defeated at Liberty, Tenn.

4.—Gen. McCLELLAN's report of his campaign, dated Oct. 15, 1862, made public....Town of Palmyra, on the Cumberland, destroyed by our forces, in retaliation for the attack on the gunboat *St. Clair*....The rebels repulsed at Woodbury, Tenn....The Yazoo Pass expedition operating against Vicksburgh, returning, left Fort Greenwood.

5.—A force left Newbern, N. C., to rescue Gen. FOSTER's army besieged at Washington, N. C.... Iron-clad fleet arrived at Charleston Bar.

6.—Report of the Committee on the Conduct of the War made public....Gen. MITCHELL dashed into a rebel camp at Green Hill, Tenn....Visit of the President and his family to the Army of the Potomac....The expedition against Charleston, S. C., started for that city.

7.—ATTACK ON FORT SUMTER, CHARLESTON HARBOR, BY OUR MONITORS, AND OUR FORCES REPULSED....An additional force left Newbern, N. C., to aid Gen. FOSTER at Washington, N. C.

8.—The Army of the Potomac, reviewed by the President....The *Keokuk*, monitor, sank in Charleston harbor from the shots received in bombarding Fort Sumter....Arrival of the Yazoo Pass expedition, operating against Vicksburgh, at Helena, Ark....Ship *Morning Star* captured by the *Alabama*.

9.—Fight at Blount's Bridge, N. C., and at Koff's Mills, N. C.

10.—Gen. GRANGER attacked by the rebel VAN DORN's army at Franklin, Tenn....A passenger train near Lavergne, Tenn., attacked by a rebel force....Address of JEFF. DAVIS to the rebel States issued.

11.—Great meeting in New-York in commemoration of the attack on Fort Sumter in 1861....Skirmishing at Williamsburgh, Va.

12.—Col. E. A. KIRKPATRICK killed by Gen. CONCORAN....Battle between Gen. BANKS' army and the rebels in the Teche country, La....Steamer *Stonewall Jackson* destroyed off Charleston....Our iron-clads left Charleston Harbor.

13.—Riot between black and white laborers in South street, N. Y....The rebels evacuated their works at Centreville, La., in the night....The fighting in the Teche country, Louisiana, continued.

14.—Fight near Suffolk, Va....Aid reached Gen. FOSTER, at Washington, N. C....Repulse of the rebels in the Nansemond River, Va....The ram *Queen of the West* recaptured from the rebels in Grand Lake, La....The final action between Gen. BANKS' army and the rebels in the Teche country....Fight at Kelly's Ford, near Fredericksburgh.

15.—A rebel battery near Suffolk, Va., silenced....Gen. FOSTER arrived at Newbern, N. C., from Washington, N. C., where his army was besieged.

16.—FEDERAL GUNBOATS BENTON, TUSCUMBIA, LAFAYETTE, PITTSBURGH, CARONDELET, GEN. PRICE AND TYLER TRANSPORTS RAN PAST THE REBEL BATTERIES AT VICKSBURGH IN THE NIGHT.

17.—Engagement at Vermilion Bayou, La., resulting in success for our troops....Col. GRIERSON started on his great cavalry expedition for Baton Rouge, La.

18.—Fayetteville, Ark., attacked by the rebels, who were repulsed....Skirmish near Cecilia, Tenn....Fighting near Memphis, Tenn....Steamer *St. John's* captured off Charleston, S. C.

19.—Rebel battery at the West Branch, Nansemond River, near Suffolk, Va., captured....Our forces landed at Eastport....Sloop *Neptune* captured off Charleston, S. C....Steamer *Nereman* destroyed off Charleston.

20.—Great mass meeting in New-York in commemoration of the grand uprising of the people in 1861....Opelousas and Washington, La., occupied by Gen. BANKS....Rebel fort at Butte a la Rose, La., captured.

21.—Visit of Gen. HALLECK to Suffolk, Va.

22.—McMinnville, Tenn., taken by our troops, and the rebel stores there destroyed....Tompkinsville, Ky., destroyed by our troops....A RAIDING FORCE WITH GUNBOATS RAN PAST THE REBEL BATTERIES AT VICKSBURGH....Union raid on Middleton, Tenn.

23.—Gen. HUNTER addressed a letter to JEFF. DAVIS, threatening retaliation for the execution of negro soldiers and their officers.

25.—Tuscumbia, Ala., occupied by our cavalry....Ship *Dictator* destroyed by the *Georgia*.

26.—The rebels at Cape Girardeau, Mo., routed....Schooner *Clarinda*, blockade runner, captured.

27.—Scouting expedition under Gen. STAHL left Fairfax Court-house, Va....Fighting near Kinston, N. C....SHERMAN's cavalry expedition left Warrenton Junction, Va....U. S. sloop-of-war *Preble* destroyed by fire.

28.—Skirmish near Kinston, N. C., continued....SHERMAN's cavalry crossed the Rappahannock at Kelley's Ford.

29.—The Rappahannock crossed by Gen. HOOKER at Kelley's Ford in the advance upon Fredericksburgh....Attack on the rebel batteries on Grand Gulf, Miss....Haines' Bluff, near Vicksburgh, bombarded....Orange Springs attacked by Gen. SHERMAN's cavalry....Louisa Court-house, Va., reached by SHERMAN's cavalry in the night....Ship *Onward* destroyed by the *Florida*....The bark *Henrietta* also destroyed by the *Florida*.

30.—West Point, Va., occupied by our troops....Charlottesville, Va., occupied by Gen. HOOKER's army....Withdrawal of the rebel Gen. LONGSTREET's army from the south side of the James River commenced....Cavalry fight at Dayton's Gap, Ala....Gen. GRANT's army landed at Bruinsburg, Miss.

MAY.

1.—BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE COMMENCED....Cavalry engagement at Blountsville, Ala....Battle of Thompson's Hills, Miss., or Port Gibson....Fort Gibson occupied.

2.—*Battle of Chancellorsville continued*....Culpeper Court-house, Va., fell in our hands....Big Black River, Miss., CROSSED BY OUR FORCES....COL. GRIERSON'S CAVALRY FORCE reached BATON ROUGE, LA., FROM TENNESSEE.

3.—BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE, VA., CONTINUED. *TERRIFIC FIGHTING. The Chancellor* mansion shelled and burned by the rebels....Gen. BERRY killed....Stonewall JACKSON mortally wounded....Attack on Fredericksburgh by Gen. SEDGWICK....Storming of Mary's Hill....Great panic in Richmond, Va., on the approach of SHERMAN's cavalry....Columbia, Va., on the James River, reached by our cavalry, who destroyed the canal there....Goochland, Va., visited by our cavalry....Fight near Suffolk, Va....Fighting near Warrenton Junction, Va....Capture of Grand Gulf, Miss., by Admiral PORTER's fleet....Battle of Salem Heights, near Fredericksburgh, Va....Beaver Dam, Ashland and Hanover Court-house, Va., reached by Gen. SHERMAN's cavalry....Capture of newspaper correspondents running past the rebel batteries at Vicksburgh....Col. KILPATRICK's cavalry left Bodles Court-house, Va....Capture of Col. STRAIGHT's Union cavalry, near Rome, Ga.

4.—Panic in Richmond, Va., on the approach of SECRETARY's cavalry....SHERMAN's cavalry within two miles of Richmond, Va....He reached Chickahominy Bridge....Hungary, Va., reached by Col. KILPATRICK....Meadow Bridge, on the Chickahominy, destroyed by Col. KILPATRICK....Schooner *Isaac*, blockade-runner, captured.

5.—HON. C. L. VALLANDIGHAM ARRESTED AT DAYTON, OHIO, FOR TREASON....Riot and attempt to rescue him at Dayton....RETURN OF THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC FROM CHANCELLORSVILLE ACROSS THE RAPPAHANNOCK COMMENCED....Col. KILPATRICK surprised some rebel cavalry at Aylett's, Va....The Governor of Mississippi called on the people of the State to arouse for its defence.

6.—Trial of VALLANDIGHAM at Cincinnati commenced....Return of the Army of the Potomac across the Rappahannock continued....Gen. HOOKER issued an address to his army in respect to the battles at Chancellorsville....Severe battle at Clinton, Miss....Steamer *Eugenie* captured off Mobile Bay, by a Union gunboat....Battle of Fourteen-Mile Creek, near Vicksburgh.

7.—President LINCOLN and Gen. HALLECK visited the Army of the Potomac at Falmouth, Va....Arrival of Col. KILPATRICK, with a force of cavalry, at Gloucester Point, Va....Death of Gen. WHIPPLE....Trial of C. L. VALLANDIGHAM concluded....West Point, Va., occupied by our forces....Bridges, &c., near White House, Va., destroyed by our troops....Gen. LEE issued a congratulatory address to his army....Steamer *Cherokee* captured off Charleston, S. C.

8.—Proclamation of President LINCOLN in relation to the draft, defining the duties of persons of foreign birth....Gen. T. F. MEAGHER resigned his commission....Gen. BANKS reached Alexandria, La., having captured in his expedition 2,000 prisoners, 20 pieces of artillery, 2 transports, and a large amount of property.

9.—Rebel guerrillas attacked at Horseshoe Bend, on the Cumberland River, Tenn....Schooner *Sea Lion* captured off Mobile Bay.

10.—Death of Stonewall JACKSON.

12.—Union victory at Raymond, Miss.

13.—The rebels defeated at Mississippi Spring, Miss....Gen. JOE JOHNSTON arrived at Jackson, Miss....A large amount of rebel property destroyed at Yazoo City....Schooners *A. J. Hodge* captured....Ship *Crown Point* burned by the *Florida*.

14.—JACKSON, MISS., TAKEN BY GEN. GRANT....Resignation of Gen. THOS. F. MEAGHER accepted....Schooner *Sea Bird* captured....Clinton, Miss., occupied by our troops.

15.—Capture of a company of United States cavalry at Charlestown, Md....Destruction of rebel stores at York River, Va....Fight at Carrsville, Va....Jackson, Miss.—evacuation of by Union troops commenced....British brigantine *Cornet* captured....Ship *Byzantium* burned by the *Tacony*.

16.—Recapture of the cavalry taken by the rebels at Charlestown, Md....Rebels under Gen. PEMBERTON defeated at Edward's Station, Miss....GREAT BATTLE AT BAKER'S CREEK, NEAR VICKSBURGH, CALLED THE BATTLE OF CHAMPION'S HILL....Engagement at Berry's Ferry, Va.

17.—Steamer *Cuba* pursued and destroyed, and schooner *Hunter* captured....Battle of Big Black River Bridge, Miss.

18.—Meeting to express sympathy with VALLANDIGHAM held in New-York....VALLANDIGHAM sentenced to confinement in Fort Warren....Union victory on the Big Black River, Miss....Capture of Haines' Bluff, near Vicksburgh, by Admiral PORTER....Schooner *Isabel* destroyed off Mobile Bay....Schooner *Ripple* captured off Mobile Bay.

19.—Gen. MEAGHER took leave of his troops....Richmond, Mo., sacked by guerrillas....Vicksburgh fortifications assaulted....Blockade runner steamer *Union* captured.

20.—Steamer *Stono*, late United States gunboat *Isaac Smith*, destroyed off Charleston....Bark *Goodspeed* destroyed by the *Tacony*....Vicksburgh invested.

21.—Assault on the rebel works at Vicksburgh, Miss. Our forces repulsed with severe loss.

22.—The sentence of VALLANDIGHAM changed to banishment....Blockade runner *Eagle* captured....Assault on Vicksburgh continued....Battle at Gum Swamp, N. C....Engagement at Fort Hudson Plains.

23.—Battle at Gum Swamp, N. C., continued....Junction of Gen. BANKS' forces with those of Gen. AUGUR at Bayou Sara.

24.—Capture of schooners *Gen. Prim* and *Rapid* and sloops *Jane*, *Adelie* and *Bright*.

27.—Presentation of Kearney medals to the Third army corps....Rebels defeated at Florence, Ala....Attack on Port Hudson commenced....Union gunboat *Cincinnati* sunk by rebel batteries at Vicksburgh.

28.—Attack on Port Hudson continued. Our forces repulsed....Blockade runner *Victoria* captured.

29.—Skirmish near Thoroughfare Gap, Va....Gen. KILPATRICK left Yorktown on a raid up the Peninsula, which resulted very successfully.

30.—Attack on a train of cars near Catlett's Station, Va., by MOSBY's rebel cavalry....MOSBY's force defeated near Greenwich, Va....Train of cars destroyed near Kettle Run, Va.

31.—Skirmishing near Monticello, Ky....Schooner *Echo* captured.

JUNE.

1.—Meeting of sympathizers with VALLANDIGHAM at Philadelphia....James Island evacuated by the Union troops.

2.—Gen. BURNSIDE suppressed the circulation of the New-York *World* and Chicago *Times* in his department.

3.—Great Peace meeting in New-York....Gen. LEE broke up camp at Fredericksburgh, Va.

4.—Our force at Franklin, Tenn., attacked....Gen. BURNSIDE revoked his order suppressing the New-York *World* and Chicago *Times*, by order of the President....Departure of an expedition into King William County, Va., from Yorktown, which was highly successful in its results....Brisk fight at Satartia, on the Yazoo.

5.—Bark *Whisting Wind* destroyed by a privateer....Rebels attacked Milliken's Bend and Young's Point, near Vicksburgh, but were repulsed....Shewanestown, Kan., destroyed by guerrillas.

7.—Battle of Milliken's Bend concluded.

9.—Severe cavalry engagement at Brandy Station or Beverly's Ford, Va., on the Rappahannock....The rebels driven from Monticello, Ky....Departments of the Monongahela and Susquehanna created....Execution of two spies by Gen. ROSECRANS.

10.—The draft in Indiana resisted....Engagement near Monticello, Ky....Lake Providence attacked by rebels and successfully defended by negro troops....The *Hatteras* sunk off Charleston bar.

11.—D. H. VALLANDIGHAM nominated for Governor of Ohio....Darien, Ga., destroyed by our forces....The *Herald* destroyed by Union gunboats, Charleston Harbor....Steamer *Calypso* captured....Gen. HALLECK directed the Generals at Martinsburgh and Winchester, Va., to unite at Harper's Ferry....Trinity, Tenn., attacked by rebels.

12.—Gov. CURTIN, of Pennsylvania, issued a proclamation calling for volunteers to repel the anticipated invasion of that State by the rebels....Gen. HOOKER assumed command of the Department of the Susquehanna....President LINCOLN addressed a letter to Gen. HOOKER in relation to the arrest of VALLANDIGHAM, &c....Gen. MUNDER left the Department of the South....Gen. Q. A. GILLMORE assumed command....Brisk engagement between Union batteries on Folly Island and the rebel batteries on Morris Island, Charleston Harbor.

13.—Town of Bunice, near Vicksburgh, destroyed by our gunboats....Winchester, Va., attacked and its armament and a part of its garrison captured.

14.—Skirmish at Stale Creek, Ky....Berryville and Martinsburgh occupied by the rebels....THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC LEFT FALMOUTH FOR PENNSYLVANIA IN PURSUIT OF LEE....Fort Hudson abandoned—our forces supplied with heavy loss....Gen. ROSECRANS commenced a forward movement.

15.—The President called for 100,000 volunteers to repel the invasion of Pennsylvania....Gov. CURTIN, of Pennsylvania, called on the people of the State to enroll themselves for its defense....Chambersburgh, Penn., occupied by the rebels....Winchester, Va., evacuated by Gen. MILROY, at 1 o'clock, A. M., after which he was pursued and engaged in a severe battle.

16.—Harper's Ferry reached by MILROY's army....Gov. CURTIN appealed to the people of Philadelphia to rise....Gov. PARKER, of New-Jersey, called for volunteers to repel the invasion of Pennsylvania....Harper's Ferry invested and attacked....Our forces retired to Maryland Heights and shelled the rebels out....Erie *Dispatch* captured by rebels in Tacony....Gen. Milroy tendered the thanks of the New-York City....

17.—Great excitement over the invasion of Pennsylvania....Spirited cavalry engagement at Aldie, Va....Draft in Ohio resisted....Capture of the rebel steamer *Atlanta* into the *Fingal*, near Savannah, Ga.

18.—The rebels crossed the Ohio River into Indiana....Skirmish at Orleans, Ind.

20.—Ship *Isaac Wade* captured and bonded by the *Tacony*....Frederick, Md., occupied by the rebels.

21.—Great cavalry engagement near Middleburgh and Upperville, Va....The rebels driven from Frederick, Md.

22.—Millerstown, eight miles from Gettysburgh, Penn., occupied by the rebels....Greencastle reoccupied by the rebels. The portion of EWELL's corps which had not yet arrived in Pennsylvania crossed the Potomac and moved up the valley....The rebels driven from Cumberland, Md....Brasher City, La., captured by the rebels.

23.—Chambersburgh, Penn., reoccupied by the rebels.

24.—Shippensburgh, Penn., reached by a portion of the rebel army....Severe skirmish of Gen. ROSECRANS' army at Hoover's Gap, Tenn., successful to our arms in its results....The rebels driven from Liberty Gap, near Murfreesboro....Heavy skirmishing near Murfreesboro, Tenn.....The main body of LEE's army entered Maryland, crossing the Potomac at Shepperdstown and Williamsport, instead of east of the Blue Ridge, as had been the intention.

25.—Fairfax Court-house, Va., occupied by the rebels....Skirmish at Marysville, Penn., near Harrisburgh....Another engagement at Liberty Gap, Tenn....An expedition left West Point, Va., for the interior....Destruction of one of the rebel forts at Vicksburgh by the explosion of one of our mines....Ship *Constitution* captured by the privateer *Georgia*....The Union army crossed the Potomac at Edwards' Ferry....Gen. ROSECRANS resumed his march.

26.—Gettysburgh, Penn., occupied by the rebels....Gov. CURTIN issued another proclamation to the people of Pennsylvania....Rebel privateer *Archer* (with the crew of the *Tacony*) entered Portland harbor, and captured the revenue cutter *Cahoo Cushing*, which enterprise resulted in the capture of the *Archer*....White House, Va., occupied by our troops.

27.—The advance of Gen. ROSECRANS' army arrived at Manchester, Tenn....Kingston, Penn., occupied by the rebels....York, Penn., also occupied....Chambersburgh, Penn., occupied by the divisions of the rebel army under Gens. LONGSTREET and HILL....The whole rebel army consisting of 90,000 infantry, upward of 10,000 cavalry and 4,000 or 5,000 artillery.

28.—Gen. HOOKER relieved of the command of the Army of the Potomac and Gen. MEADE appointed in his place....The rebels within four miles of Harrisburgh, Penn....Bridge over the Susquehanna at Columbia, Penn., burned....Mechanicsburgh surrendered to the rebels....Brookville, Md., occupied by the rebels....Attempt of the rebels to take our fort at Donaldsonville, La.

29.—Wrightsville, Penn., evacuated by the rebels....Fight at McConnellsburgh, Penn....Gen. MEADE's army put in motion and at night was put in position, its left at Emmettsburgh and its right at New-Windsor.

30.—York, Penn., evacuated by the rebels....Martial law proclaimed in Baltimore....Skirmish at Sporting Hill, Penn., near Oyster Point....Cavalry battle at Hanover Junction, Penn....Skirmish near Mechanicsburgh, Penn....Gen. BUFORD passed through Gettysburgh on a reconnoissance in force....At nightfall the greater part of the rebel force was concentrated in the immediate vicinity of two corps of the Union army.

JULY.

1.—FIRST DAY OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURGH....The First and Eleventh army corps engaged....Gen. REYNOLDS killed....Large losses on both sides....Brilliant fight at Carlisle between the rebel cavalry and artillery of Gen. FITZHUGH LEE, and our forces, under Gen. W. F. SMITH.

2.—SECOND DAY OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURGH....The rebels attacked our forces in large numbers, but were repulsed....Gens. WEED and ZOOK killed, and Gen. SICKLES wounded....The rebel Gen. BARKSDALE, of Mississippi, killed....Chambersburgh and Shippensburgh, Penn., evacuated by the rebels....Skirmish near Bottom's Bridge, Va....Tullahoma, Tenn., occupied by our forces.

3.—THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURGH CONCLUDED....Heavy losses on both sides....A great victory gained by the Union army, and the rebels compelled to retreat....Rebel pontoon bridge over the Potomac near Williamsport, Md., destroyed....Departure of a cavalry expedition from Newbern, N. C., into the interior....Conference of Union and rebel commanders at Vicksburgh, Miss., relative to the surrender of the city to our forces.

4.—SURRENDER OF VICKSBURGH, MISS., WITH 31,000 TROOPS, 220 GUNS AND 70,000 SMALL ARMS, TO GEN. U. S. GRANT....Union victory at Helena, Ark....The retreat of the rebels from the battle-field of Gettysburgh, Penn., commenced....Proclamation of President LINCOLN announcing a victory at Gettysburgh....Gen. MEADE issued a congratulatory address to his army on the victory at Gettysburgh....ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS, Vice-President of the Confederate States, applied for permission to visit Washington as bearer of a letter from JEFF. DAVIS to President LINCOLN. He was refused.

5.—The day occupied by Gen. MEADE in succoring the wounded and burying the dead left on the field of Gettysburgh.

6.—Defeat of the rebel Gen. JOHNSTON on the Big Black. His rear-guard captured at Bolton....The rebel army from Gettysburgh arrived at Hagerstown, Md....Defeat of STUART by BUFORD, at Hanover.

7.—Battle at Williamsport, Md....The rebel Gen. MORGAN's force at Berdstown, Ky....RETREAT OF BRAGG'S ARMY ACROSS THE TENNESSEE RIVER—Gen. MEADE started in pursuit of LEE, by a feint movement on Middletown.

8.—SURRENDER OF PORT HUDSON, with 7,000 prisoners, and a large number of cannon and small arms, to Gen. BANKS....The rebel Gen. MORGAN crossed into Indiana, and captured the town of Corydon....Gen. GILLMORE issued orders for an attack on Morris Island, Charleston harbor.

9.—Port Hudson taken possession of by our army....Victory of our cavalry under BUFORD and KILPATRICK at Boonsboro.

10.—Gen. GILLMORE commenced operations against the rebel batteries on Morris Island, Charleston harbor....Gen. STRONG took possession of several of the rebel works....Martial law declared in Louisville, Ky....Engagement at Jackson, Miss....Engagement at Sharpsburgh, Md....Skirmish near Funkstown.

11.—BRILLIANT ENGAGEMENT ON MORRIS ISLAND....All the batteries evacuated by the rebels, who defended themselves in Fort Wagner....Commencement of the Draft in New-York City.

12.—Our forces entered Hagerstown, Md., the rebels having evacuated the town in the night....Our forces having passed through South Mountain, came up with the rebel army of Gen. LEE, securely posted on the heights of March's Run.

13.—COMMENCEMENT OF THE GREAT DRAFT RIOT IN NEW-YORK CITY....The draft commenced in this city without interruption....A severe battle with the rebels at Williamsport, Md., resulted in our capturing 2 pieces of artillery and 200 prisoners....Gen. KILPATRICK's cavalry encountered a force of rebels at Boonsboro....Gen. GILLMORE's batteries on Morris Island opened on Charleston....Rebel pickets driven in....Gen. MEADE's army in front of the rebels at Hagerstown....Gen. LEE's army escaped across the Potomac....Gen. MEADE moved his army to attack the rebels at Hagerstown....Gen. BUFORD occupied Martinsburgh....Our cavalry under Gen. KILPATRICK drove the rebels from Williamsport....Our cavalry captured a brigade of rebels....Williamsport, Md., occupied by our forces....Admiral LEE captured Fort Powhattan, on the James River.

14.—The Draft Riot in New-York continued; the military mobbed; more negroes hung; terrible excitement in New-York and neighborhood; Proclamation of Mayor GEORGE OPDYKE; Gen. DIX ordered to New-York, and Gen. J. G. FOSTER to Fort Monroe....Proclamation of the President issued appointing AUG. 6 for a National Thanksgiving for our great victories....A mob in Troy destroyed Union offices and other property....Arrival of VALLANDIGHAM at Niagara Falls, Canada, from his journey through the Southern States....Jackson, Miss., shelled by our forces....JEFF. DAVIS ISSUED A PROCLAMATION IMMEDIATELY CONSCRIPTING EVERY ABLE-BODIED MAN between the ages of 18 and 45....Gen. BLUNT crossed the Arkansas River.

15.—The draft riot in New-York continued; Archbishop HUGHES invited the mob to visit him at his residence on the following day....Arrival of Seventh regiment in New-York....Gen. JOE JOHNSTON evacuated Jackson, Miss., in the night....The rebels sunk the steamer United States in Brisk Channel, on James Island, S. C....Victory of Gen. BLUNT at Elk Creek over 4,000 rebels....Jackson, Miss., taken by our army.

17.—Quiet restored in New-York; the Draft Riot suppressed; Gen. BROWN succeeded by Gen. CANBY in command of the troops in New-York; speech of Archbishop HUGHES to the mob....Battle with the rebel Gen. MORGAN at Berlin, Ohio....Two expeditions—one up the Red River and one to Natchez—made large captures of arms, ammunition and cattle.

18.—SPONGING ON FORT WAGNER, CHARLESTON HARBOR....Arrival of Gen. FOSTER at Fort Monroe....Gen. LEE's rear-guard left Martinsburgh, Va....MORGAN's force dispersed and a large number of his men captured....Fight with MORGAN's men at Buffington, Ohio....Admiral PORTER reported the complete success of the Red River expedition....Bombardment of Fort Wagner, Charleston Harbor; the fort evacuated and our troops repulsed.

19.—The rebel MORGAN made an unsuccessful attempt to cross the Ohio River; more of his men captured....Two companies of rebels and an ammunition train captured at Jackson, Tenn.

20.—Gov. SEYMOUR ordered the return of the State arms used against the rioters in New-York City....Cavalry reconnoissance to Front Royal, Va....Sharp fight with the rebel guerrilla MORGAN, and capture of a large portion of his force at George's Creek....Destruction of railroad and other property at Rocky Mount, N. C., by an expedition of Union troops.

21.—Railroad bridge, 360 feet long, over Tar River, at Rocky Mount, N. C., destroyed by a cavalry expedition from Newbern, which also destroyed a large amount of property....Recapture of Brashear City, La., by our troops.

22.—Sharp fight near Front Royal, Va.

24.—Col. TOLAND attacked the enemy at Wytheville, on the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad, capturing two pieces of artillery, 700 muskets and 125 prisoners.

26.—Steamer *Merrimac* captured, running the blockade at Wilmington, N. C.

28.—Death of Hon. JOHN J. CRITTENDEN....MORGAN AND THE REMAINDER OF HIS BAND CAPTURED NEAR NEW-LISBON, OHIO.

27.—The rebel pirate *Alabama* arrived off the coast of Africa near Cape of Good Hope.

28.—Death of WILLIAM L. YANCEY, of Alabama....The rebels defeated at Lexington, Tenn.

29.—Repulse of the rebels at Paris, Ky.

30.—Proclamation of President LINCOLN in regard to rebel treatment of colored troops issued....Cummings Point, rebel battery, Charleston harbor, bombarded....Rebels defeated at Winchester, Ky.

31.—Heavy bombardment of our works on Morris Island, Charleston harbor, from Fort Wagner....Successful attack on the rebels at Lancaster, Ky....Reconnoissance to Sperryville, Va.

AUGUST.

1.—Battle between the cavalry of the two armies near Culpeper, Va....JEFF. DAVIS appealed to the deserters from the rebel army to return, offering them pardon and amnesty.

3.—Gov. SEYMOUR addressed a letter to the President, remonstrating against the enforcement of the draft in New-York City because of unfair enrollment, &c.

4.—Engagement near Brandy Station, Va....Steamer *Rush*, with $2,500,000 in Government funds, burned on the Mississippi River....Reconnoissance of Fort Darling on the James River.

6.—Ship *Francis B. Cutting* captured and bonded by the *Florida*....National Thanksgiving Day.

7.—Reply of President LINCOLN to Gov. SEYMOUR's letter of remonstrance against the draft, in which he asserted that the draft should proceed.

8.—Gov. SEYMOUR replied to President LINCOLN's letter relative to the draft.

11.—President LINCOLN ended the correspondence with Gov. SEYMOUR relative to the draft.

12.—Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, battered by our shot....The rebels opened on our works near Charleston with grape and canister.

13.—An expedition left Lagrange, Tenn., for Central Mississippi.

14.—Death of Commodore MORRIS.

15.—The authorities of the City of New-York appropriated $3,000,000 to pay for substitutes.

15.—Steamer *Alice Vivian* captured running out of Mobile....Gen. ROSECRANS COMMENCED HIS ADVANCE ACROSS THE CUMBERLAND MOUNTAINS.

17.—Great destruction of rebel property at Grenada by our troops from Tennessee....COMMENCEMENT OF THE GRAND ATTACK ON FORT SUMTER, CHARLESTON HARBOR. The iron-clad fleet and the land batteries attacked the fort....Explosion of the steamer *City of Madison* on the Mississippi....Address of Gen. DIX to the citizens of New-York relative to the draft....Reconnoissance in force from the rebel army in Virginia....Steamer *Nora* captured running out of Mobile.

18.—Bombardment of Fort Sumter continued.

19.—Draft in New-York City recommenced....Bombardment of Fort Sumter continued.

20.—Bombardment of Fort Sumter continued....The Tennessee River reached by Gen. ROSECRANS.

21.—Lawrence, Kan., pillaged and burned by guerrillas....Gen. GILLMORE demanded the surrender of Morris Island and Fort Sumter, and threatened to shell Charleston in case of non-compliance with his demand....Our batteries opened on Charleston, S. C., in the night....The advance of the Army of the Cumberland appeared before Chattanooga, Tenn., and opened fire on the city.

22.—Gen. BEAUREGARD protested against the shelling of the City of Charleston.

23.—Fort Fisher, near Wilmington, N. C., bombarded by the frigate *Minnesota*....Capture of JEFF. THOMPSON.

24.—Charleston, S. C., again shelled by Gen. GILLMORE.

26.—An expedition left Williamsburgh, Va., for Bottom's Bridge, Va....Attack on the rebel rifle-pits near Fort Wagner.

27.—Death of the rebel John B. FLOYD.

28.—The rebels driven across Bayou Metallie Bridge, Ark., with considerable loss.

30.—The Army of the Cumberland crossed the Tennessee River.

31.—Fourt Moultrie, Charleston harbor, attacked.

SEPTEMBER.

1.—Fierce artillery fight at Fort Royal, Va....KNOXVILLE, TENN., CAPTURED by Gen. FOSTER, of BURNSIDE's army....Fort Smith, Ark., occupied by our forces.

2.—Kingston, Tenn., captured by Gen. BURNSIDE.

3.—Battle with the Indians at Whitestone Hill.

4.—Bread riot in Mobile, Ala....An expedition left New-Orleans, La., for Texas, under Gen. FRANKLIN.

5.—Furious bombardment of Forts Wagner and Gregg, Charleston harbor.

6.—THE REBELS EVACUATED FORTS WAGNER AND GREGG, CHARLESTON HARBOR, AT EIGHT.

7.—Gen. GILLMORE took possession of Fort Wagner and Battery Gregg in the morning, having captured 76 pieces of artillery and a large amount of ammunition.

8.—Our forces at Bath, Va., attacked....Unsuccessful naval assault on Fort Sumter....Bombardment of Fort Moultrie....Rebel works at Battery Wagner blown up....Our forces occupied the rebel fortifications at Shine Point....Gen. GRANT's army reached Chattanooga, Tenn....Commencement of the battle of Chattanooga, Tenn....Gen. GRANT joined our army....Bombardment of Fort Sumter continued....Skirmish at Rogersville, Tenn.

10.—Little Rock, Ark., occupied by our forces.

12.—Arrival at New-York of the first vessel of the Russian fleet....INDIANS attacked a small force of our troops at Moorefield, wounding 15 and capturing about 150.

13.—Brilliant cavalry fight at Culpepper, Va....Gen. ROSECRANS' army attacked at Bird's Gap.

15.—Proclamation of the President, suspending the writ of habeas corpus in certain cases....Order of Gen. GILLMORE congratulating his troops on their success in Charleston Harbor.

18.—Skirmish at Raccoon Ford on the Rapidan.

19.—COMMENCEMENT OF THE GREAT BATTLE IN CHICKAMAUGA....Our army attacked by large force by the rebels under Gen. BRAGG, who had been reinforced by Gen. LONGSTREET's corps from Virginia....Defeat of the rebels in the Indian Country.

20.—The great battle at Chickamauga, Ga., continued....Union attack on Rollingfork, Tenn.

21.—Gen. THOMAS repelled the assault of the rebels on his corps at Rossville....Conclusion of the great battle, which resulted in our forces falling back to Chattanooga after a gallant fight by Gen. THOMAS' corps. The battle commenced on the Chickamauga Creek, and was waged from that point to Chattanooga....Gen. THOMAS' corps displayed great gallantry, and by its bravery saved the army from great disaster. The rebels acknowledged very heavy loss in officers and men.

22.—Gallant cavalry action near Madison Court-house, Va....Skirmish near Rockville, Md.

23.—Alexandria, Va., opened to trade by Proclamation of the President.

25.—The Army of the Potomac reviewed by Gen. COOPER.

29.—Engagement near Morganzia, La.

OCTOBER.

1.—Reception of the officers of the Russian fleet by the military and civil authorities of New-York.

2.—Successful cavalry engagement at Anderson's Cross-roads, Ky.

3.—Proclamation of the President issued, appointing Nov. 26 as Thanksgiving Day....McMinnville attacked by rebels.

6.—Railroad bridge south of Murfreesboro', Tenn., destroyed by the rebels....The rebel batteries opened on ROSECRANS at Chattanooga....Frigate *Ironsides* attacked by a rebel vessel and torpedo in Charleston Harbor in the night....Engagement at Blue Springs, Tenn.

8.—The rebel rams in the Mersey placed under the supervision of English officials.

10.—Sharp fight with the rebel STUART's cavalry at Robertson's River....Skirmish between the rebels and Gen. BURNSIDE's forces at Blue Springs, Tenn....Engagement at James City, Va....Commencement of the strategical movements of the Army of the Potomac and that of Gen. LEE....JEFF. DAVIS reviewed the rebel army before Chattanooga.

11.—The Army of the Potomac withdrew to the north side of the Rappahannock....Attack on

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killed—Charles F. Robinson, citizen of Philadelphia, and formerly a Lieutenant in the 11th Pennsylvania Volunteers; Henry Young, Co. G, 11th Pennsylvania Reserves; James French, Co. K, 8th Pennsylvania Reserves; one man unknown.

Wounded—James McCahan, Endicott, face; Thos. Ford, Co. D, 10th Pennsylvania Reserves, arm; Charles Lenzandi, Co. A, 8th New-York, slightly; Clifton Dunlap, Co. E, 11th Pennsylvania Reserves, leg; Joseph W. Shaw, Co. B, 4th Pennsylvania Reserves, hand, slight; William Collier, Co. B, 8th Reserves, ankle; Orville Minor, Co. K, 11th Reserve, head and ankle; Nathaniel Dickey, Co. D, 10th Reserves, arm; Charles Horn, Co. D, 10th Reserves, arm; Samuel Cook, Co. H, 10th Reserves, both knees; James McPeck, Co. D, 10th Reserves, ankle; William McWilliams, Co. D, 10th Reserves, hip and ankle; Elias Page, Co. D, 8th Reserves, hip; William S. Austin, Co. D, 12th Reserves, back; William Weisel, Co. H, 12th Reserves, ankle.

The wounded men were at once removed to the hospital of the Third division, Fifth corps, under the charge of Dr. Pyzalre, who, assisted by Dr. Gaze of the Twelfth Reserves, gave them every attention their cases demanded. They were all doing well this morning.

The track was repaired during the night, and trains are now running as usual.

And this accident occurred two hours before, the time of the night when it would have been fearful.

Common humanity demands an investigation of the daily accidents on this road, and the speedy punishment of those by whose negligence they are caused.

LAW REPORTS.

Notes of Prize Decisions.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Betts.

BLOCKADE—ESCAPE FROM THE REBEL STATES.

The United States vs. The Sloop D. Sargent.—This vessel was captured March 12, 1863, off Galveston, by the *Kittatinny*. The vessel was sent to this New-Orleans as unseaworthy and being valued at $1,500, on appraisal, at $1,500, was left there and her cargo sent to this port for condemnation. A claim and answer was filed on behalf of Peter Morrill, as owner, in which he claimed that there was no war between the United States and any other people or nation, whereby any forfeiture of the vessel had been incurred; and that no blockade of any port existed or was known to the claimant whereby the vessel or cargo was liable to condemnation.

The master and owner of the vessel testified on his preparatory examination, that he knew that Galveston was under blockade, and that he meant to elude it if he could. The vessel came out under the Confederate flag. She and her cargo were purchased by the claimant in Texas, in February, 1863, and the register of title was executed to him on his making affidavit of citizenship in Texas. The bill of sale states him to be of Texas. The shipping agreement signed by the claimant as master, on Feb. 27, 1863, was for a voyage "to Honduras, or for a market and back to a port or ports in the Confederate States of America." The vessel was cleared at Galveston Feb. 28.

The claimant, on his examination, also stated that he was a native of Denmark, and that his home for the last twenty years has been in New-Orleans during the Winter, and in the Northern States during the Summer.

He counsel also claimed that he was entitled to have his vessel and cargo discharged under the principles of the case of the *Gen. C. C. Pinkney*, decided by the Circuit Court recently, as making his escape from the rebel States.

Held by the Court—That the Supreme Court has fixed the positions taken by the claim and answer as to the war and the blockade to be erroneous.

That the denial in the answer that the vessel was attempting to violate any blockade is immaterial in consideration in view of the fact that the owner himself notifies that he knew that Galveston was blockaded and meant to elude it if he could.

That the claimant's own oath, taken when he procured the registry of the vessel to Feb. 1863, concludes him as to the fact of his then being a citizen of an insurrectionary State.

That the claim interposed in his name would be a void paper, as he being a rebel, has no legal standing in Court to contest a prize question. The claim of the claim and answer was made by an agent who does not assume to have any personal knowledge of the facts stated in it, and is therefore no evidence in the claimant's favor.

That the claimant in the *Gen. C. C. Pinkney* discontinued to the Circuit Court that his bonds purchased in a common enemy's port, with the consent of the rebel country as both at the war was not on foot. Both in this case there is no proof whatever of any other motive on the part of the claimant than the profit of a successful mercantile adventure.

The defence set up in his answer does not indicate that he was seeking the protection of a friendly hand in favor his enterprise, for he concerns all authority of the United States, to take cognizance of his open and flagrant violation of the blockade.

For the United States, the District-Attorney; for the claimants, Messrs. Foster & Thomson.

RUNNING THE BLOCKADE.

The United States vs. the Steamer Vanisher.—This vessel was captured at sea off the coast of North Carolina by the *Fahkee*, on Nov. 21, 1863.

The vessel had a British register. She was owned by R. Lawrence & Co., of Liverpool. She had only the Confederate flag on board. She had run the blockade eight times before, and intended to run it at this time. The bills of lading, bags of letters, &c., on board were thrown overboard during the chase. Vessel and cargo condemned.

The United States vs. The Steamer Margaret and Jessie and Cargo.—This vessel was also captured by the *Fahkee* in about the same locality. Her master stated that she was owned by a company residing in Charleston. She was of English build, was laden at Nassau, cleared for Wilmington. Much of her cargo was thrown overboard during the chase. The master found no papers on board, and was told she had none.

Vessel and cargo condemned.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

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STOCK BOARD.

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PUBLIC BOARD—3 P. M.

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WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30—P. M.

The following Circular, just issued by the Loan Agent of the Treasury Department, indicates the policy of the Secretary in raising Money for the support of the Government immediately after the New Year is entered upon. The popular subscriptions to the 5-20 years Funded Stock—principal and interest payable in Gold—will be continued until the original Five Hundred Millions are exhausted. The unsubscribed balance is now about $65,000,000. In addition to this, the Loan Agent now proposes to receive subscriptions to the legal Tender interest-bearing Notes, having two years to run—principal and interest, if not funded before maturity, being payable in Currency—at par. Of this description of paper the first $50,000,000 was sold in advance to the Associated Banks, in September last, and on this negotiation the Notes will be delivered in a few days, after which a further issue of $50,000,000 will be immediately prepared and placed at the popular option at par.

CIRCULAR.

On and after the 1st of January next, the Treasury Department will be prepared to furnish, through this agency, a convenient supply of the new Five per Cent. Interest-bearing Legal-tender Notes. The notes will be furnished in the following proportions, viz., one-tenth of the whole amount (if so much is desired) in notes of the denominations of $50, $100 and $500, and the remaining nine-tenths in denominations of $50, $100 and $1,000. The notes under $100 will be without coupons, and payable in due year from Sept. 1, 1864, with interest at maturity. The notes of $100 and upward will have coupons payable semi-annually, and the principal redeemable in two years from 1st of January, 1864. As only a limited number of these very desirable issues can be furnished daily, those desiring them are requested to advise the undersigned by telegraph or letter as promptly as possible, as all orders will be filled consecutively, as received. These Treasury Notes will be furnished at par, on receipt by the undersigned of the amount in Legal-tender Notes, or notes of National Banks, or Drafts, payable in Legal-tender Notes, on New-York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore or Washington—or the amount can be deposited in any United States Sub-Treasury, on and after the 1st day of January next, in the following cities: Boston, New-York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Chicago, St. Paul and Buffalo, in accordance with the following formula: "Deposited by ——— ——— for JAY COOKE, Subscription Agent, to the credit of Treasurer of the United States, on account of sales of Interest-bearing Legal-tender Notes." In which case the interest-bearing notes will be credited to drawer interest from date of such deposit, provided I am notified by telegraph of time of such deposit. In all other cases interest will commence on the day the remittance reaches this agency, if on or after the 1st of January next. As the Treasury Notes will bear a uniform date, the difference of interest will be paid by the purchaser. This mode of distribution is adopted for the time being, in order that those banks, bankers, capitalists, &c., to whom this circular will be sent, and who may have considerable sums of Legal-Tender Notes idle on their hands, may avail themselves of this opportunity of substituting the interest-bearing for the non-interest-bearing Legal Tenders. The foregoing arrangement is not intended to interfere with the usual sales of 5-20 Loan, and the amount to be thus disposed of will not exceed the sum of thirty-five millions of dollars.

JAY COOKE, Subscription Agent.

The receipts into the Treasury Office, to-day, for the Popular Loan are $1,269,950; the receipts yesterday, $1,292,600. The fresh orders to-day for the Loan, on which the Money is yet to be paid into the Treasury, indicate an increase of investment after New-Year's. A good many of these orders will date from Jan. 1, which will give four months' even interest in Gold on the 1st of May. New Subscribers will also bear in mind that by depositing 1 ⅌ cent in Gold for the arrearage of interest since 1st of November, they can secure the entire six months' Coupon due on 1st of May. These are called a regular delivery at the Stock Exchange, and are now selling at a premium of 1½@1¾ ⅌ cent, including the accrued interest. The new subscriptions with Messrs. Fisk & Hatch, Sub-Agents, to-day, amount to $566,000.

The additional Money news from London is less favorable than the previous advices, and the Gold market fell back, in consequence, to 153 ⅌ cent., although the export demand for this day's packet amounted to $877,000. The disbursements of the Government for the Public Interest due in Gold on the 1st of January amount to $3,450,000, of which three millions will be paid out from the New-York Office. The morning paper which stated the sum total at twelve millions is very wide of the mark. This is about the sum which will fall due on the 1st of May on the great Popular Loan. None of the States pay their January interest in this market in Gold, as stated by the paper referred to.

Notwithstanding a continued sharp demand for Money among the Brokers on full rates, the Stock Market again improved to-day, and there was quite a large business at other advanced prices. The speculation runs strongest on Chicago and Rock Island and some other of the Western Roads, but there was also a firm feeling in Erie and the other Northern Stocks. The Government Stocks were steady, and the Miscellaneous Shares firm. The bears for the time appear to act with much confidence on the calculation that the opening of the new year will carry prices for the Railways higher, and the care with which the Bull interest in Chicago and Rock Island has carried their Stock up 12@14 ⅌ cent, has its influence upon other descriptions.

At the Second Board the Western speculation was directed to Michigan Southern, which breathably rose to twenty ⅌ cent. There was also a demand for Pittsburgh and for Fort Wayne, at 100½ and 99½ respectively. Cumberland Coal rose to 47 ⅌ cent, and Pacific Mail to 231 ⅌ cent.

At 4 o'clock on the Street the market was not so generally firm, though prices closed in nearly all instances higher than on Tuesday night. The advance continued on Pacific Mail and on Galena and Chicago.

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The following bids were made to-day for the City Bank Shares. The Phenix Bank declares a ⅌ cent. for the 2d of January:

New-York	115	Am. Exchange	107¼
Manhattan	143	Commerce	160
Merchants'	104	Corn Exchange	100¼
America	127	Continental	99
City	100	St. Nicholas	101
Merchants' Exch	95	N. Y. Bank	125
Mech. Bank Ass	99¼		

The following bids were made for the Railway Mortgages:

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Mr. ALBERT H. NICOLAY will hold his regular semi-weekly auction sale of stocks and bonds to-morrow, (Thursday,) Dec. 31, at 12½ o'clock, at the stock salesrooms, No. 52 William-street.

The following is a statement of the Earnings of the Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railway to 31st inst.:

	Week ending Dec. 31. 1863.	1862.	From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31. 1863.	1862.
Freight	$11,402 [illegible]	$9,220 14	$[illegible]	$[illegible]
U.S. Car Trust	1,[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Passengers	1,[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mails & Express	3,[illegible]	3,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	$18,171 [illegible]	$16,[illegible]	$1,[illegible]	$1,[illegible]

The business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States was as follows: Total receipts, $6,846,834 21; including for Customs, $272,000; Payments, $5,761,509 22; Balances, $32,876,119 67.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1863—6 P. M.

The receipts of the principal items of Produce since our last have been: Ashes, 1,000 bbls. Flour, 100 bbls. Meal, 100 bbls. Corn Meal, 1,[illegible] bushels. Corn, 27 bushels. Rye, [illegible] bushels. Oats, 1,[illegible] bushels. Barley, 34,000 bushels. Malt, 5,[illegible] bushels. Cotton, [illegible] bales. Wool, [illegible] bales. Pork, [illegible] bbls. Beef, [illegible] bbls. Cut Meats, [illegible] pkgs. Lard, [illegible] pkgs. Tallow, [illegible] pkgs. Butter, [illegible] pkgs. Cheese, [illegible] pkgs. Petroleum, [illegible] bbls. Whiskey, [illegible] bbls. Tobacco, [illegible] hhds. and [illegible] bales. Rosin, [illegible] bbls. Turpentine, [illegible] bbls. Freights to Liverpool were fair to-day, with a good demand for cotton, including Atlantic steamers, at [illegible] d. Grain was taken by sail vessels at 9d. ⅌ bush. Provisions were in good request, and 1,000 tons Beef, at 5s. 6d.; 500 tons Bacon, at 44s. 6d.; 500 tons Pork, at 45s.; and 500 tons Lard, at 50s., all by steamer; 1,000 tierces Beef, at 35s.; 500 pkgs. Bacon, at 44s. 6d.; by sailing vessel, at 35s. @ 37½s., and by steamer, at 35s. @ 37s. 6d. 40 kegs Tallow at 120s. 1,000 kegs Tallow at 122s. ⅌ ton. 1,000 bbls. Flour, by steamer, at 3s. ⅌ bbl. 500 sacks Flour, at 2s. 6d. Rye Flour—1,000 bbls. Pork, at 35s.; 50 tcs. Beef, at 4s. 6d.; 200 bbls. Pork, at 35s.; 200 bbls. Beef, at 4s. 6d.; 200 kegs Lard, at 50s.; 200 kegs Tallow, at 120s. 1,000 bushels Corn, at 10s. @ 10s. 6d.; 20 tons Hay, at 60s. Per Merrellina, a general vessel, with Stores, on private terms. The latest charters, according to the *Shipping List*, are as follows: Two steamers from Cardiff or Newport to New-York, Railroad iron, 21s.; a British schooner, 150 tons, to Gulf port, Lumber, 21s. gold; a brig, 218 tons, from Bluefields, Logwood, on Aspinwall, 22s. 6d.; a schooner, 150 tons, to Swan Island and Deck, 25c., half gold; a British schooner, 220 tons, to Jamaica and back, $1,600, half gold; one, 81 tons, to Nassau, N. P., 75c. ⅌ bbl., gold; a Danish brig to Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, a British brig, 287 tons, to Havana, and a Norwegian bark, 1,700 bbls., to Nassau, N. P., and back, on private terms.

Movements of European Steamers.

From America.					
Europa	Dec. 2	Portland	Liverpool		
Edinburgh	Dec. 2	New-York	Liverpool		
Asia	Dec. 5	Boston	Liverpool		
Kangaroo	Dec. 5	New-York	Liverpool		
City of Manchester	Dec. 8	New-York	Liverpool		
Hammonia	Dec. 9	New-York	Hamburg		
Africa	Dec. 12	New-York	Liverpool		
Persia	Dec. 12	New-York	Liverpool		
Arabia	Dec. 19	New-York	Liverpool		
Scotia	Dec. 26	New-York	Liverpool		
Germania	Feb. 6	New-York	Southampton		
Bavaria	Feb. 20	New-York	Southampton		
Saxonia	Mar. 5	New-York	Southampton		
Bremen	Mar. 26	New-York	Southampton		
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From Europe.					
North American	Dec. 17	Liverpool	Portland		
Adriatic	Dec. 19	Liverpool	New-York		
China	Dec. 19	Liverpool	New-York		
City of Baltimore	Dec. 23	Liverpool	New-York		
City of Limerick	Dec. 27	Liverpool	New-York		
Africa	Dec. 26	Liverpool	New-York		
Teutonia	Dec. 29	Southampton	New-York		
Anglia	Jan. 2	Liverpool	New-York		
Scotia	Jan. 2	Liverpool	New-York		
Canada	Jan. 9	Liverpool	New-York		
Germania	Jan. 12	Liverpool	New-York		
Cunarder	Jan. 16	Liverpool	New-York		
Australasian	Jan. 23	Liverpool	New-York		
Asia	Jan. 23	Liverpool	New-York		
Persia	Jan. 30	Liverpool	Boston		
Bavaria	Jan. 30	Southampton	New-York		
China	Jan. 30	Liverpool	New-York		
Saxonia	Feb. 6	Southampton	New-York		
Bremen	Feb. 6	Southampton	New-York		

For New-Orleans, Havana, &c.

George Washington, Jan. 2, New-York, New-Orleans.
Corsica, Jan. 4, New-York, Havana.
Corsica, Feb. 1, New-York, Havana.

European Mails.

The mails for Europe by the *Java*, via Portland, will close on Friday at 12 M.

The mails for the United Kingdom and the Continent, by the *Etna*, will close on Saturday at 10½ A. M.

For New-Orleans, Havana, &c.

The mails for New-Orleans by the *Crescent* will close on Wednesday at 3 P. M.

The mails for New-Orleans, by the *George Washington*, will close on Saturday at 12 M.

The mails for Havana, by the *Corsica*, will close on Monday at 10 A. M.

For the South Pacific, &c.

The mails for the South Pacific and Central America, by the *Champion*, will close to-day at 10 A. M.

Departure of Domestic Mails.

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REAL ESTATE.

[illegible]

FARMS.

[illegible]

TO LET.

[illegible]

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

[illegible]

LOST AND FOUND.

[illegible]

MISCELLANEOUS.

[illegible]

AUCTION SALES.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY AUCTIONEER.
REGULAR SALE OF STOCKS & BONDS
ALBERT H. NICOLAY
WILL SELL THIS DAY
(THURSDAY,) DECEMBER 31,
AT 12½ O'CLOCK AT THE
STOCK SALESROOM No. 52 WILLIAM ST.

For account of whom it may concern:

50 Leather Manufacturers' Bank	$90	40 Merchants & Traders Ins. Co	24
40 Lenox Fire Ins. Co	25	200 Consol. Stage Co	25
20 Empire City Ins. Co	110	10 Brooklyn Cent. R. R.	10
25 Williamsburgh City Ins. Co	20	15 N. Y. & N. H. R. R.	100
12 Inter Exchange Ins.	100	50 Citizens' Gas Lt. Co	22
10 Ins. Co. of N. Y.	100	25 North River Fire Ins.	25
100 Mil. & St. Paul R. R.	10	40 Empire Fire Ins. Co	25
100 Kings Co. Ins. Co	20	10 Commonwealth Ins. Co	40
20 Arctic Fire Ins. Co	80	10 Broadway Fire Ins. Co	25
20 Bank of North America	100		

$5,000 1 per cent. Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. First Mortgage Bonds.

$5,000 Great Western (Ill.) R. R. Co. First Mort. Bonds.

NEXT REGULAR STOCK SALE, THURSDAY, JAN. 7.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,
AUCTIONEER AND STOCK BROKER.

DANIEL A. MATHEWS, AUCTIONEER,
NO. 6 NASSAU-ST.
LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE SALE OF
MAGNIFICENT PARIS AND VIENNA FANCY GOODS.

SUPERB REAL BRONZE GROUPS AND FIGURES, PARIAN MARBLE STATUETTES AND GROUPS, RICH SILVER-PLATED WARE AND CUTLERY, REAL BOHEMIAN GLASSWARE, MUSICAL BOXES, SUPERB SEVRES CHINA AND BOHEMIAN VASES, PARIS PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS, DRESSING CASES, &c.

DANIEL A. MATHEWS will sell at auction, in his salesroom, No. 6 NASSAU-ST., NEAR MAIDEN LANE, THIS DAY AT 10½ O'CLOCK,

The largest and finest assortment of elegant fancy goods that have been offered this season. They are well worthy the attention of those seeking beautiful trifles as New-Year's Gifts, and are adapted to all tastes. Catalogues and Goods now ready for examination.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.
BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of a writ of vendition exponas to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 30th day of December, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the Union Stores, Brooklyn, the upper cabin steamer *CATMAN*, her tackle, apparel, furniture, engines, &c., as the new line at the Union Stores, Brooklyn.

ROBERT MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

U. S. MARSHAL'S SALE.
BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of a Writ of Vendition Exponas to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 6th day of January, 1864, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the Union Stores, Brooklyn, Kenia, part of the cargo of prize ship ALLIANCE.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

UNITED STATES WELFARE RAILROAD OFFICE, No. 220 G-st., Washington, D. C., Dec. 23, 1863.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES AND RAILROAD IRON FOR SALE.

Twill sell at public auction, on the Orange and Alexandria Railroad Depot, in Alexandria, Va., on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of January next:

Two second-hand Locomotive Engines, 4 feet 8½ inches gauge.

About 1,000 sheet Rails, 7 and 8 feet.

About 300 tons of old Car Wheels.

About 200 tons of old Car Axles.

About 300 tons of old Wrought Scrap Iron.

About 200 tons of old Cast Iron.

A lot of Steel Springs, Sheet Iron, &c.

Sale to commence at 10 A. M.

Terms cash, in Government funds.

M. L. ROBINSON, Captain and A. Q. M.

Salesroom No. 6 Nassau-st., near Maiden-lane.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF ELEGANT FIRST-class, fine, made expressly for City retail trade, MINER & SOMERVILLE will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Dec. 31, at 11 o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 6 Nassau-st., a large quantity of first-class fine, heavy wear, fashionable boots, gaiters and shoes, of their own manufacture, comprising ladies' and misses' fine French calf, enamelled and kid boots, gaiters and shoes, gentlemen's fine French calf, enamelled and kid boots, gaiters and shoes, and other desirable goods, to be sold without reserve, by order of WM. CAMPBELL, Assignee.

RUFUS D. MINER, Auctioneer, Salesroom No. 6 Nassau-st.

Salesroom No. 37 Maiden-lane.

LARGE SALE ELEGANT FURS, OF A large manufacturer, including Russian—MINER & SOMERVILLE will sell at auction, on MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, at 11 o'clock A. M., at No. 37 Broadway, between Spring and Prince-sts., opposite the Metropolitan Hotel, a large and elegant stock of furs of every description, embracing rich sable, mink, ermine, chinchilla, stone marten, fitch, fisher, and cross, Siberian, mink and cats. Also, robes of every description, fancy collars, gloves, &c., in great variety, children's sets, &c.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL, at auction, on THURSDAY, Dec. 31, at 10½ o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 38 Maiden-lane, an assortment of Household Furniture, viz.: Mahogany marble-top centre table, institution reversed bedsteads, mahogany bureaus, mahogany sofas, hair cloth parlor suits, mahogany tables, mahogany and other bedsteads, fine French plate mirrors, Brussels, ingrain and other carpets, fancy and staple dry goods, plated ware, tea sets, razors, cutlery, opera glasses, ladies' knives, forks, spoons, &c. Also, an invoice of fine furs, robes, &c.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL, at auction, on THURSDAY, Dec. 31, at 10½ o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 38 Maiden-lane, a large and elegant assortment of Parlor, Chamber and Dining Room Furniture, including rich silk damask and brocatelle parlor suits, mahogany and walnut chamber suits, marble-top dressing bureaus, mahogany and walnut dining tables, sideboards, chairs, &c., fine French plate mirrors, Brussels, ingrain and other carpets, fancy and staple dry goods, plated ware, tea sets, razors, cutlery, opera glasses, ladies' knives, forks, spoons, &c. Also, an invoice of fine furs, robes, &c.

TO HENRY HELLEWELL, WM. & FITZ-TBY, AND OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—NOTICE.—I will sell at auction, for storage and charges, two safe wire rolls and six of shovel machinery and tools, on THURSDAY, Jan. 7, 1864, at 10 A. M. SAMUEL LEGGETT.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

FRUIT CAKE
FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The very best that can be obtained, at

J. BROWN'S, No. 118 Lewis-st. (near Houston.)
AT 25 CENTS PER POUND.

STERLING GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS
(And all time.)
GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,
and fine Gold Jewelry.

Staple Goods for Gentlemen's and Ladies' Lasting Tokens, AT LOW PRICES.

C. E. SYNNER,
Importer and Dealer in Watches and Jewelry,
No. 175 BROADWAY, N. Y. UP STAIRS.

THE GOTHIC FURNACE.

REDDY'S AND FISHER'S PATENT KEROSENE HEATING AND COOKING STOVES.
Gas Heating and Cooking Stoves.
Sterling's Gas Regulator and Saver.
Gothic Wringers, Mangles and Washing-machines.
Parlor and Ice Stoves.
LESLEY & ELLIOT, No. 404 Broadway, New-York.

MUSICAL BOXES.

The largest and ONLY complete stock of Musical Boxes in the United States, from the smallest size to those 36 in. in diam., at J. J. FAILLARD'S, Importer, No. 2 Maiden-lane, (up stairs,) New-York.

NATURAL FLOWERS.

Bouquets and Wreaths of Flowers, the Year's and up to the latest style, by FITZPATRICK, Florist, 494 Broadway, near Grand-st., and Fulton-st., near Nassau-st., Brooklyn.

NEW-YEAR'S PRESENTS.

RICH SCARFS, TIES, MUFFLERS, ROBES DE CHAMBRE, LAP ROBES.
Embroidered Shirt Bosoms, Under Garments, Gentlemen's Hosiery, Gloves, Hosiery of all kinds, at low prices.
WILLIAM SOOTY, [illegible]

HOSIERY FOR PRESENTS.—THE GREATEST variety of Hosiery, Gloves, Ladies' and Misses' Hosiery, Gents' Hosiery, Gloves, Suspenders, Ties, Scarfs, Hoods, Children's socks, Gloves, Mitts, caps, &c. Gloves for Misses and Boys, in best styles. New styles embroidered silk ties, a specialty. Gents' Ties, and Scarfs, Gloves, Suspenders, &c. Ladies' Ties, Scarfs, Hoods, &c. Gents' Hosiery, Gloves, Suspenders, &c. Ladies' Hosiery, Gloves, &c. Ladies' Hosiery, Gloves, &c. Ladies' Hosiery, Gloves

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1863.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—THE OPERA OF FAUST.

WALLACK'S—ROSEDALE.

WINTER GARDEN—THE TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN

OLYMPIC THEATRE—CAMILLA'S HUSBAND.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—GRAND MAGOUIN—IN AND OUT OF PLACE—THE HAPPY MAN.

PARK THEATRE—(Brooklyn)—THE TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—GREAT FRENCH GIANT—GRAND BOY, TWO DWARFS, HAVING WAX FIGURES, &c., at all hours—TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN—at 2 and 7½ P. M.

BROADWAY AMPHITHEATRE—(No. 495 Broadway)—EQUESTRIAN PERFORMANCES.

VAN AMBURGH & CO.'S MENAGERIE—(Nos. 539 and 541 Broadway)—MORAL EXHIBITION AND EGYPTIAN CARAVAN.

HOPE CHAPEL—STEREOSCOPTICON.

CLINTON HALL—MIRROR OF THE REBELLION.

NIBLO'S SALOON—GRAND CONCERT.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

A dispatch from Cumberland announces that a considerable rebel force, under Gen. EARLY, of LEE's army, is in the Shenandoah Valley, between New-Market and Mount Jackson, evidently moving upon Winchester. Deserters arriving report many rebel troops anxious to accept the terms of the President's Proclamation.

The rebels in Gen. GRANT'S Department seem to have given faint evidence of life in the matter of a cavalry raid within a day or two. Maj.-Gen. THOMAS telegraphs that, on the 28th the rebel Gen. WHEELER, with a strong force of cavalry, captured a supply train near Charleston, Tenn. Col. LONG, commanding the Second division of cavalry, taking the very small force in camp, but 150 men, immediately pursued WHEELER, cut off a portion of his column, charged it, captured over 100 prisoners, and compelled the main column to seek safety in precipitate flight—all with the loss of but one man wounded on our side.

We have full files of Richmond papers to the 28th inst., inclusive. The news is not important, but the sayings of the rebel press, and the doings of the rebel Congress, are exceedingly interesting. The question of the exchange of prisoners, according to rebel assertions, seems to be no nearer solution than before. The additional correspondence between the Commissioners throws no new light on the subject. The very grave manner in which the rebels refuse to treat with Gen. BUTLER, on the ridiculous ground that he has been "outlawed" by JEFF. DAVIS, will only excite the laughter of the public. Fuller accounts of the damage by AVERELL, in his raid, and the futile pursuit, by half-a-dozen different commands, including a large part of LEE's army, are given. AVERELL was too much for all combined. In the rebel Congress, measures of a desperate nature, prompted by desperate necessity, were being speedily framed and adopted. The House had passed a bill to prohibit the circulation of, and traffic in, United States currency; also a bill abolishing the system of substitutes in the army, and compelling those who have furnished substitutes to enter the army in person, at the same time holding on to the substitute. A remarkable speech had been made by Senator BROWN, of Mississippi, urging the extremest measures for raising men and money to carry on the rebellion. A portion of the rebel press still bewail the loss of East Tennessee. The prices of provisions in Richmond were going still higher, and the supply short.

Gen. HALLECK having annulled so much of Gen. HURLBUT's order No. 57 as included the Sixteenth army corps now in Kentucky, conscripts of Columbus return to their homes, subject to enrollment by the United States Provost-Marshal.

Fifty of FORREST's guerrillas, a Colonel, Major and Chaplain, were captured by Gen. DODGE's mounted infantry, near Pulaski, Tenn., on the 25th, three of them in chains, charged with the murder of Federal soldiers last Summer. The skulls of the murdered men, placed as ornaments on the mantelpiece, were found in their room.

Seven members of the Sixth Ohio battery have been captured by the rebels, near Tullahoma, and brutally murdered. They were tied to trees, shot, and their bodies thrown into the river.

From Washington it is announced that, on the reassembling of Congress bills will be introduced in both Houses extending the time for the payment of bounties to veteran volunteers.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Board of Aldermen failed of a quorum at their meeting yesterday, and adjourned to 1 o'clock P. M. to-day. The Councilmen met specially, and concurred in adopting the ordinance making certain transfers of appropriations recommended by the Comptroller, and also concurred in the adoption of the resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Brig.-Gen. CORCORAN. The Board adjourned to 12 o'clock M. to-day.

We extract the following from the European summary of the Colombo *Overland Observer*, dated Nov. 16: "A rumor, the truth of which we are inclined to believe, is that the famous Confederate cruiser *Alabama* is now sailing about our coasts off Galle. Indeed, it is stated that she was provisioned by a fishing smack from that port only a few days ago; and it is further stated that an American vessel, the *Bellina*, now much overdue from Calcutta, has been probably captured by her." It was reported in Liverpool a few days since that the *Alabama* had, after leaving the Cape, been lagging in some unfrequented bay to the eastward, being painted, &c.; but if the above be correct this was impossible, the time given being barely sufficient to steam between the two ports.

The *Daily News*, of Quebec, notwithstanding the sympathy which it says it feels with the Confederate cause, pronounces as follows on the capture of the *Chesapeake*: "The cruel and cold-blooded murder of the second engineer, and the shooting down of an unarmed crew, is one of the darkest crimes we have read of since the days of LAFITTE, and the pirates of the Spanish Main. It was not only cruel but cowardly butchery, which no excuse can palliate. The people of Halifax, in their sympathy for the Southern Confederacy, have committed a grievous error, and unless every means is taken to recapture these murderers, the city will remain under an eternal stigma of disgrace."

There is said to have been much excitement in Charleston on Christmas Day, while GILLMORE was pouring his shells into the city, and their continuous roar led to the belief that the day of doom had at last arrived. On the 26th there was a slacking up of the fire, however, and the rebels, no doubt, breathed more freely. GILLMORE threw his shells at the rate of eight an hour.

A dispatch from Chattanooga states that seven members of the Sixth Ohio Battery have been captured by the rebels, near Tullahoma, and brutally murdered. They were tied to trees, shot, and their bodies thrown into the river.

Private letters from Florida state that there is great disaffection among the people in the rebel Government. They threaten to resist BRAGG's levy for beeves and want arms. A Federal force will probably be sent there.

Maj.-Gen. ROSECRANS was recently presented, at Cincinnati, with a breast-pin, in the form of a large white dove, made of the Mind pearl, from the Miami River.

The Memphis *Journal* says that the prisoners of that city commenced at 11 o'clock on Monday of last week to organize a military company, and

list of enlisted men to something over 100. This is what we call quick work, and don't think it was ever beat in any section of the country.

The official report lost at Chickamauga is stated as follows: Killed, one thousand two hundred and ninety-nine; wounded, six thousand five hundred and seven hundred and eighty; missing, ten thousand nine hundred.

Gold was a fraction lower yesterday. Money is quick demand at 7 @ 7 cent., and Stocks firm. The subscriptions to the Twenty Loan paid in at the Treasury amount to $1,300,000. The Loan Agent, by circular, also invites subscriptions to the Two Year 5 ₩ cent. Legal Tenders, of which $50,000,000 will be placed at the option of the public immediately after New-Year's Day.

Business in Breadstuffs was less active yesterday, though prices were essentially unchanged. A fair demand prevailed for Cotton, Hay, Hops, Hides, Leather, Fruit, Wool and Tobacco. Provisions were moderately active. Whisky was depressed and declining. Groceries were lightly dealt in. Freights were quiet and rates easier. There were 530 vessels of all classes in port.

Negro Equality in the South.

In our comments upon the recent admission of a colored delegation to seats in a Free State Convention of Louisiana, we assumed that the Convention was mainly made up of Northern men. A correspondent, more familiar with the members than we are, corrects this assumption in another column. He states that several of the leading men in the Convention are gentlemen who have lived a long time in New-Orleans, and who occupy a high personal and social position in that city. They have long been active in opposition to Slavery, and in asserting the rightful equality before the law of negroes and whites. They are men of principle, and maintain what they believe to be the cause of justice with great firmness, intelligence and self-denial.

No one can fail to admire the efforts of such men in such a cause. But we see nothing to change our original conviction that any attempt to force upon the South the admission of negroes to political, civil, or social equality with the whites, as any part of the Union movement, is premature, unwise, and likely to involve disastrous results. And the evident inclination of some Union newspapers at the North to make this matter of negro equality a test of loyalty, and to limit the number of "unconditional loyalists" to those who agree with them on this subject, renders the danger still more apparent. We want to see this rebellion crushed—the great mass of the Southern people renewing their allegiance and devotion to the national flag, and the Union fully and thoroughly restored: and we are opposed to anything—to any and every political, civil or social reform, however just and desirable it may be in itself, which shall stand in the way of this grand consummation. The Emancipation Proclamation was a wise measure, because it was intended and calculated to aid this work. The Amnesty is wise, for precisely the same reason. The laws of confiscation, and all the laws of Congress upon this subject, find their vindication, if they find it at all, in the fact that they weaken the rebellion, strengthen the National Government and thus help restore the Union. If they do this, they are wise; if not, they are unwise and mischievous. WENDELL PHILLIPS, and those who follow his lead, look to the emancipation and elevation of the negro as the great end and aim of the war,—as paramount in importance to the restoration of the Union, and as, therefore, to be made the *first* consideration in all action of the Government. We do not. We regard them as incidents—as secondary in importance to the salvation of the Union, and as not to be sought at its expense.

And we would apply the same rule to this matter of negro equality. The Free State men of Louisiana do themselves honor by battling for the rights of the negro. They have a right to a voice in the matter, and to the free and full exercise of their own opinions. And if they can bring a majority of the Southern people to share their views on this subject and to act accordingly, we shall most heartily rejoice. But we protest against putting the matter in such shape as to lead Southern men, or Northern men either, to believe that they cannot be Unionists, loyal to the Constitution and Government of the United States, unless they are also friends and supporters of negro equality. It is not true, in the first place, and it would be fatal to the Union if it were. Support of the Federal Constitution has nothing whatever to do with the rights or relative position of the colored race. That is a separate and distinct question—to be settled on other grounds and by other tests—and to be settled after the Union is restored, and not as a condition of its restoration.

Many sanguine persons regard the whole question raised by the rebellion as already settled. They consider the Union safe, and feel fully at liberty, therefore, to bring forward for adjustment all other issues which they deem important. We cannot concur in this pleasing but fallacious opinion. There is a great work yet to be done before the Union is restored—a greater and more difficult work by far than that in which we have hitherto been engaged. We are not to deal hereafter merely with brute force; we have not simply to crush hostility in the field and beat down, by blows, the muscle and the steel arrayed against us. We have to deal with human judgments, with opinions, with wills, with views of interest, with pride, prejudice, passion. All the emotions of the human heart roused into full activity, and strung to the utmost tension of sensitiveness by the terrible conflict through which they have passed. This is a task requiring wisdom, calmness, moderation—a tolerant temper, and something of sympathy even with those from whom we most widely differ. And in performing this work the Government needs and must have the cordial and active support of the great body of the people. There must be a substantial unity of public sentiment, as there is now upon the prosecution of the war, if the Union is to be restored upon a permanent basis; and nothing, in our judgment, would more seriously disturb and threaten to destroy this unity than thrusting the question of negro equality upon the country, North or South, as having anything to do with the Constitution.

The Closing Year.

We publish this morning a complete diary of the important military events of the year which ends to-day. It discloses hardly more than a third as many battles fought, as in the year which preceded. Indeed, one cannot survey the record without being struck with surprise at the fewness of the actual conflicts, considering the immense forces under arms. The Army of the Potomac, though it has often marched and countermarched, has only fought, in force, the battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburgh. All its other engagements were by small detachments, and hardly rank above skirmishes—and even these were very few in number. The Army of the Cumberland have scarcely fought except at Stone River and Chickamauga; and at Chattanooga after being consolidated with the Army of the Mississippi. The Army of the Mississippi did little actual fighting, except in the week's battles which preceded the investment of Vicksburgh, and at Chattanooga. The Army of the Gulf has been engaged, with its main force, only at Port Hudson; all its other fighting has been only in small bodies, and attended with comparatively little bloodshed. The Army of the Ohio has scarcely fired a musket, save at Knoxville the other day, in repelling LONGSTREET; and, being fortified as they were, they settled that affair with very little loss of life. The Army of North Carolina has had no general fight; that of South Carolina scarcely any fight at all, excepting at Fort Wagner, and there only three or four regiments were actually engaged.

But, notwithstanding this greatly diminished amount of fighting, throughout the seat of war, the year has told with immensely greater effect than the one preceding upon the fortunes of the struggle. The battles which have been fought, though few, have, almost without exception, had important results. The year previous abounded with bloody conflicts which were substantially fruitless. This year has witnessed scarcely any of that character. Chancellorsville, though a defeat to us, deprived the rebellion of its most formidable man, Stonewall JACKSON. Gettysburgh made all future invasion impossible, and weakened LEE's army to a degree from which it could never recover. Stone River permanently secured us all Middle Tennessee. Chickamauga, though a dead loss in itself, yet when supplemented by Chattanooga, secured all Southern and Eastern Tennessee and Northern Georgia. Every one of GRANT's battles in Mississippi were only so many successive steps to the capture of Vicksburgh, the key of the Mississippi. Port Hudson vastly more than repaid the blood that was shed before it. Strategy has played a much more effective part this year, both in gaining positive ends without battle, and in delivering battle at the right time and place.

It is true that in all the Eastern Departments, the year has made very little change geographically. The rebel lines do not vary materially from what they were a twelve-month ago. But in all the Western Departments, the whole geographical aspect has changed prodigiously. All the region west of the Mississippi has virtually ceased to be a part of "the Confederacy." The States of Tennessee, Louisiana, and most of Mississippi have been restored to our possession. Those tremendous territorial retrenchments, though all in one direction, are just as damaging as if they had been inflicted on all sides—in fact, more so, for they take us nearer to the heart of the rebellion. A man will die much sooner by being sliced down to the midriff than by his receiving any number of mutilations over his body; and it is substantially so with political organizations.

But this vast reduction of the rebellion in geographical area is, by no means, the only work which the year has effected in our favor. It has proportionally weakened the rebel armies, by the large numbers killed, wounded and made prisoners by us, and disabled by disease—whose places, in lack of material for further conscription, can never be supplied. It has, in a far greater ratio yet, diminished the financial resources of the Confederate Government, reducing them from a condition in which they had an abundance of money that secured all their main necessaries without difficulty, and a condition in which they were able to negotiate, and actually did negotiate, a foreign loan, to a state where all their currency is worthless, all their credit extinct—the very verge of absolute repudiation and bankruptcy. It has forever dashed all the towering hopes which the year previous had raised that the English Government would break its neutrality by allowing destructive vessels to be built for them within its jurisdiction, and that the French Government would intervene for the purpose of protecting itself in Mexico. It has, in like manner, shattered every expectation that the peace party of the North would acquire a strength that would compel the Government to abandon the war.

Thus there is not a single vital concern of "the Confederacy" which the year has not damaged—we may say fatally damaged. It seems almost certain that the year whose hours are now expiring will pass into history as the year which decided the fate of the rebellion. Therein it will be to future generations of Americans the most memorable year of the century.

THIS AND OTHER TIMES.—The loyal people of the acclaimed States of the South seem to have an especial admiration for the New-York TIMES, if we may judge thereof by the number of journals that are being started in the South of the same name as our own. Only a few weeks ago we chronicled the appearance of the New-Orleans *Times*—a paper modeled in every respect upon its New-York prototype. We now also have the Newbern *Times*, an elegant sheet from the Old North State; and these are to be immediately followed by the Nashville *Times*, better in its name. [illegible] These loyal Southerners, in naming their favorite journals, utter as correctly every sentiment of [illegible] patriotism as our unhappy City contemporaries. There are to be springing Tribunes that we have heard of, some of these loyalists invite odium by naming their journal *Herald*; and it seems to be generally considered that one *World* is as much as this globe could endure. We need not say that we rather admire the taste of the loyal journalists and people of the Southern cities in this matter; but still, we confess we would prefer that even all the loyal and lively journals of the South should not be named the *Times*. Subscribers will get befogged, and subscriptions missent, and various other inconveniences will arise. If it be said that there is no other name as good, we concur; but even a good thing may be overdone. Let them all imitate our enterprise and temperance; but fear not to make a venture after success under another title. SHAKESPEARE has a remark to the point, which we will not quote.

SAILORS AND WHAT PAYS.—Some short time ago we published the proceedings of a meeting of sailors in this City, in which the slowness of the payment of prize money was spoken of as a reason why there were so much fewer enlistments in the navy than is desired. And within a few days a letter has been published from a sailor on board the *Florida*, inquiring why the proceeds of the schooner *Hattie*, a prize captured by the *Florida* in last June, were not yet distributed. We publish this morning the decision of the Court in the case of the *Hattie*, which will furnish the desired information. It appears that she was brought in here and a decree of forfeiture rendered against her and her cargo by default in July last. Up to that time the proceedings had been rapid enough to satisfy any one. But this rate of progress was not kept up. For some reason or other the proceeds were not distributed, and now, in December, the former owners of the vessel apply to the Court, by consent of the District-Attorney, stating that the schooner was formerly theirs, but was taken from them by the privateer *Retribution*, and the Court, accordingly, directs the restoration to the owners of the vessel, or rather of her proceeds, she having been sold, on payment of one-eighth of her value as salvage. So that in this case the delay has been productive of good to the loyal former owners of the vessel, and no sailor will regret that they have thus been enabled to get their property back again. With regard to the cargo, no such results have followed, and the seamen of the *Florida* might perhaps rightfully complain that so long a time has elapsed before the settlement of the cargo, if that could have been closed up independently of the vessel. But as the case stood, that could not be done.

We have no doubt that a great many of these complaints are unreasonable and without foundation, but there are, and have been, too many complaints which had foundation. The case of the *Hiawatha's* missing cargo alone is enough to excite suspicions in the minds of sailors which no amount of statement and explanation will remove so long as the matter remains unclosed and uncleared up. The question of getting men for the navy is one of importance enough to call for especial attention and speed, and care and fidelity in all this prize business. If suspicions and discontents of this kind are difficulties in the way of procuring seamen for the navy, it lies in the power of the Government itself to remove them.

ARMAMENT OF THE MONITORS—A QUERY FOR THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.—The ordnance officer of the monitor *Patapsco* has furnished a transcript from his record of the expenditures of shot, shell, and powder by that vessel during her period of service of less than a year. The armament of the *Patapsco* is one 8-inch rifle and one 15-inch Dahlgren (smooth bore). The record shows that up to Nov. 4 this monitor expended, for the 8-inch rifle, 44 tons plus 640 pounds of shot, or altogether, 100,200 pounds. Expenditure of powder for rifle gun, 14,070 pounds. For her 15-inch gun she expended 7 tons plus 1,430 pounds, or 17,150 pounds of shot. Expenditure of powder for 15-inch gun, 12,095 pounds. A very simple calculation from these data, shows that the 8-inch rifle has fired 541 rounds (100,200 pounds of shot, divided by 206, which is the weight of each shot;) while the 15-inch gun has fired but 43 times—(17,150 pounds of shot, divided by 400, which is the approximate weight of the shot of the 15-inch gun;) that is, more than *twelve* rounds have been fired from the 200-pounder rifle for every *one* from the 15-inch Dahlgren. This is a striking illustration of the comparative practical value and efficiency of these two types of guns, placed side by side in the turret of the same monitor. We believe there are at this moment but three 8-inch rifles in the armament of the total monitor fleet. And such is the incomprehensible policy governing the Ordnance Bureau of the naval service, that the new monitors are being armed with the Dahlgren 15-inch *exclusively*; and this in face of the fact that their commanders have begged to be allowed one rifle at least. It is the universal testimony of naval men that three-fourths of the inefficiency of the monitors is owing to their defective armament.

THE EXCHANGE QUESTION.—The Richmond journals received yesterday publish some additional correspondence between Gens. HITCHCOCK and MEREDITH and the rebel Commissioner OLD, but nothing of a later date than Nov. 28. The question is still left by these letters involved in the unsettled difficulties concerning the paroles at Gettysburgh, Vicksburgh, Port Hudson, and various other places. The public should not forget, in regard to the Union prisoners paroled at Gettysburgh, that they were never received, as required by the cartel, "with the consent of the opposing com-

[illegible] actual possession" at all, as required, we turned loose to find their way into our lines. It is neither a matter of history nor of [illegible] during the battle of Gettysburgh, Gen. LEE sent a flag-of-truce to exchange for burying the dead, succoring the *wounded, and exchanging prisoners*, which was promptly refused by Gen. MEADE. Now the rebels insist upon effecting those identical paroles, made in violation of the cartel, against the valid paroles made by Gens. GRANT and BANKS at Vicksburgh and Port Hudson, made according to the express terms of the cartel, which provides that paroles and exchanges in the field shall only be valid when mutually agreed upon by the commanders of the opposing armies. In addition, and in further violation of the cartel, the rebels insist upon counting all the paroles given by pack guerrillas as MORGAN, RICHARDSON, and others, in their raids, as valid, though not a prisoner was reduced to the condition of "actual possession," as required by the cartel. If the illegal paroles at Gettysburgh were the only ones claimed by the enemy, our Government could afford to allow them, under protest, for the sake of our suffering men now in Southern prisons. But this is not the only false claim of the enemy. The rebel authorities are trumping up every imaginable shadow of a claim to a prisoner, and firmly insist upon setting off such claims against the immense number of actual captives we have in our hands. The makeshifts, subterfuges, dishonesty and tyrannical legislation of the rebels are now simply symbolical of the utter desperation of their hopeless work of rebellion. The final collapse grows nearer and surer with every struggle and gasp of the wretches now devoting themselves to ruin and ruin.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The closing night of the opera gave us a performance of many encores, and of such hearty appreciation and comely enjoyment, that every one regretted that it was not the first representation of a season instead of the last. That "Faust" is destined to become the most popular opera of the modern Italian repertoire, is indicated in the increasing murmur of applause which is heard in all art circles, and prefigured in every performance by fresh points of public approbation. The encores last night "broke out" in new places. Perhaps that was owing to a very manifest disposition to encore everything—a disposition which was only regulated by the stubborn determination of Mr. MAPLESON to bring the performance to an end, and go to Boston. On the first night, it will be remembered, many of the best *morceaux* were passed over in silence. The change from then to now is noticeable as an indication of a decided familiarity with the music on the part of the public; for the public, rank and file, was represented last night. And as this familiarity increases, so will the popularity of the opera. If the cruel exigency of losing money—without which operatic management would be a sham and an imposition—did not compel Mr. MAPLESON to travel to Boston, he might, we are persuaded, play "Faust" here for a considerable season, and with profitable and otherwise astounding results to the exchequer.

The cast being as heretofore, we have nothing to say of it, except that it was ample for the full illustration of the work. There was one choral change. The members of the "Arion Society" assisted in the famous "Soldiers' Chorus" of the fourth act, and gave to it a fulness and martial vigor which otherwise it could not have manifested. The public owes many of its best sensation surprises to this always-ready and liberal company of amateurs. We are glad to find that they are governed by no narrow prejudices, but that they prefer their services to the Italian as well as to the German opera, and so do a good turn for music all round.

The orchestra, under Mr. MARETZEK, was all that could be desired. It is always more than ought to be expected considering the paltry price of admission. On Monday the company commences in Boston.

NIBLO'S SALOON.—Miss LILLY SIMONS will give a concert at this establishment to-night, assisted by Signor STEFANI, Signor MORELLI, and Herr REEX. Signor MUNZ is the Conductor.

DODWORTH'S SALOON.—The concert for the benefit of Miss SANDERSON, announced to take place on Monday last, was postponed in consequence of the inclement weather, and will come off on Saturday next, Jan. 2.

The Re d'Italia.

HER ARRIVAL AT THIS PORT—CAUSE OF THE DISASTER—SHE IS SUCCESSFULLY HAULED OFF WITH ANCHORS—VERY LITTLE DAMAGE DONE.

The iron-clad frigate *Re d'Italia*, which been brought so conspicuously before the public within the past few days, arrived in the harbor, yesterday, from Long Branch, having got safely over the bar, and came in in good order. On Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock, preparations were made to get her off. Two steamers had arrived from New-York, which, with the *Magnolia* made three. They were at first set to pull off the ship, but of course did not succeed, as it is very rare that steamers can tow a ship off the shore. Having decided not to use the tugs any more, the officers came to the conclusion to get out all the heavy and light anchors, hitch cables on to them, and rig a capstan. Considerable difficulty was experienced in carrying out these designs. The sailors had been up without sleep for three nights; the atmosphere was very cold, and they were used to warm climates; and the ship lay so near the heavy surf that great danger attended every movement. The officers and men persevered, however, and by 7 o'clock, when the high tide began to make its appearance in the offing, the hull was moving perceptibly, but to so very small an extent that great fears were entertained whether she could be got off. If the heavy flood-tide came, which was due at 11 o'clock, and found her in her unpleasant birth, it would probably destroy her, dashing her timbers about most unmercifully; knowing this and feeling that the safety of the ship and the reputation of her officers depended on the hardest kind of work, officers as well as men labored incessantly at the ropes and anchors. A heavy cable had been brought down by the Wrecking Society, and the men who came with it rendered most valuable assistance. For two or three hours the work slackened not—the tugs plying to and fro with anchor and chains, and all the small boats of the ship doing similar business. At 8 o'clock a very marked movement was made, and all on board sensibly felt the hull recede some twenty or thirty feet from its berth. This last made everybody work twice as hard; the sailors cheered, the officers encouraged them; the capstan went around like a windmill, and to the inexpressible joy of all the hull continued to move seaward. At half-past eight the round on board was most novel. But five hour's work before the destiny of the ship seemed to be, to say the least, most doubtful. No one for certain had very many doubted that she would ever come off. Even those who believed that the anchors would haul her every thought that it would take several days to do it, and that she must be very materially damaged. Their faces and their actions betokened grave feeling, and the crew exhibited equally rueful countenances. Now the ability to pull her off became a certainty, and the transition from grief to joy was very perceptible. At 9 o'clock, a shout went up from the ship, which awoke all the echoes of Long Branch, that she was afloat. Now it was feared that she would back on the rocks by which she was surrounded. A most singular circumstance connected with her going ashore was the fact that she passed almost through an avenue of uninterrupted water, on either side of which were huge rocks, with sharpened points, coming in contact with any of which might end her history in a few days. Once clear of the shore, the most extraordinary precautions were taken to keep her head to sea. Steam was got up, and she moved at the desired speed, making for the Bar. She remained below for some time, and steamed up the North River at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, safe and sound. The Navy Department will probably order examination to have her put in the Dry Dock.

[illegible] As considerable difference of opinion [illegible] as to the cause of the disaster, which many [illegible] being that it may not be out of place to [illegible] a few words over the Italian cruiser, we [illegible] that she was [illegible] at the Washington Navy Yard, [illegible] Capt. Cornwell, however, accompanied [illegible] trial to make suggestions during the voyage, [illegible] the famous Pilot, Mr. McGuire, was taken on board. The duties of the latter gentleman expired when the vessel crossed the Bar, as he was not a coast pilot. Capt. Inman took the whole responsibility of [illegible] the ship, placed her himself on the chart, and [illegible] some mistake, not nearer the shore than he intended when it was, of course, too late, and [illegible] the bar off. The Captain states as a reason why he could not avoid getting on shore, that he had already gone three times in the same direction as he went out last, and returned safely.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

BOUNTIES TO TROOPS FROM THE STATE OF NEW-YORK.

Gen. J. F. FARNSWORTH and Capt. J. A. SCHUYLER, selected by the Sub-Committee appointed at the recent meeting held at the Cooper Institute, to visit the Army of the Potomac to explain to New-York regiments the matter of bounties, etc., will leave for the army to-morrow. The total bounty to men from that State who reenlist, will not be less than $177. Of this $402 will be paid by Government; $300, and in some counties more, by county, and $75 by the State. Each man reenlisting should receive from his mustering officer a paper showing to what town, city and county he is to be credited. The State and county bounties will be paid when the men come home on furlough.

BOUNTIES TO VETERANS.

Immediately on the reassembling of Congress, bills will be introduced in both Houses extending the time for the payment of bounties to veterans.

GEN. BUTLER'S STATUS.

Measures will at once be adopted by our Government which will compel rebel authorities to recognize Gen. BUTLER's status as an officer of the United States army, until that is done no propositions relative to exchanges made by the rebels, will be recognized.

CONFISCATION SALES.

Under the confiscation Act there was sold at the Patent Office to-day all the right, title and interest of GARNWELL & Co., of Charleston, S. C., in the fire-alarm telegraph patents, eleven in number. They were purchased by KERNAN & Co.

THE FRENCH TOBACCO AT RICHMOND.

New complications are said to have arisen in the matter of the removal of the French tobacco from Richmond. It is believed here that the rebel Government will refuse permission to French war-vessels to ascend James River.

COTTON IN TEXAS.

Letters received from officers in Gen. BANKS' army say that the cotton held by planters in Texas, which will soon be brought into market, is over 300,000 bales.

DISPATCHES TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

SECRETARY CHASE'S PURPOSES.

It is not believed here that Secretary CHASE will issue more legal tenders, though it is stated that both Committees of Congress have expressed the opinion that it would have to be done. It is understood that yesterday his intention was to call for a loan.

NEW-YEAR CALLS UPON THE PRESIDENT.

The President will receive the army and navy officers on New-Year's Day, in the following order. The officers of the navy and marine corps will assemble at the Navy Department, in undress uniform, and proceed to the Executive Mansion in a body. The officers of the army will assemble at the War Department, in full uniform, at 11½ o'clock, and also call in a body.

CHIEF COMMISSARY, ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

Capt. THOMAS WILSON, C. S. A., has been appointed Chief Commissary of the Army of the Potomac, in place of A. H. CLERK, who has been relieved and ordered to report at New-York. He is the son of JOSEPH L. WILSON, Chief Clerk of the Land Office.

A PETITION IN BEHALF OF ENSIGN WALTERS.

A petition is in circulation, signed by the officers of the Potomac flotilla and the Navy-yard here, asking that HENRY WALTERS, late Acting Ensign, commanding the gunboat *Reliance*, that was captured by the rebels in July last in the Rappahannock, be reinstated. He was dismissed from the service by the department, and it is stated on the occasion WALTERS fought desperately.

PERSONAL.

Mr. WILLIAM FAXON, Chief Clerk of the Navy Department, has gone to Hartford.

Postmaster-General BLAIR has so far recovered from his recent indisposition as to be able to resume his duties to-day.

Major HUMPHREYS is in town on official business.

ADAMS S. HILL, the chief correspondent at Washington of the NEW-YORK TIMES, has resigned his position.

PASSENGER TRAINS OF THE ARMY.

It has been ordered that but one passenger train shall hereafter leave Washington daily for the Army of the Potomac, namely at 9:45 in the forenoon. Other trains are exclusively for freight. Sutlers can accompany their goods provided their passes have been countersigned the previous day.

RETURN OF SECRETARY SEWARD.

Secretary SEWARD returned to-night in a special car from New-York.

The Health of Chief Justice Taney.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

Chief-Justice TANEY is thought to be somewhat better this morning.

The War in the Southwest.

MEMPHIS, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

After suffering defeat at Summerville and Middlebury, the particulars of which have not been received, the rebel Gen. FORREST divided his forces into four columns, which were reported to be 4,000 strong and crossed Wolf River, near Lafayette yesterday afternoon. They destroyed several small culverts, trestles, and the telegraph on the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, between Collierville and Moscow, and have gone South, with Gen. GRIERSON's cavalry and MOSGAN's brigade of infantry in hot pursuit, and it is hoped will bring them to a stand at Coldwater. The bridge over which this force crossed Wolf River, had been ordered to be destroyed, but the order was disobeyed. The telegraph is now working, and the railroad will be repaired by to-morrow.

CAIRO, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The guerrillas along the river have been remarkably quiet since Gen. ELLET's marine brigade has been in the neighborhood. The brigade has captured, during the past three weeks, over fifty prisoners, many of them officers; also upward of one hundred mules and horses.

COTTON MARKET.

Sales of Cotton at Memphis, on Saturday, were 947 bales; the sales of the week amounted to 1,649 bales, being 200 less than the sales of the previous week. The amount shipped during the week was 648 bales, being 77 more than the shipments of the previous week.

Shipments from Oct. 19 to Dec. 26, inclusive, 32,619 bales.

Two cotton presses are in operation at Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois, about one hundred bales being shipped from that point this season.

A large number of refugees, in a destitute condition, have arrived here from Alabama.

Arrivals in the City.

Gens. L. E. Webb, Wisconsin; A. C. Niven, and J. T. Miller, New-York, and H. F. Gwentner, Penn.; Hon. J. R. McBride, Oregon, and Colo. S. S. Sneed, Washington, and J. Farnsworth, Penn., are at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Ex-Gov. A. H. Holley, Conn., Admiral Lesovsky and Lieut. Semetschkine, Russian Navy, are at the Everett House.

Hon. D. C. Littlejohn and wife, New-York; Hon. F. W. Rice, Minnesota; Homer Ramsdell, Newburgh; Lieut. Appleton, Boston; H. Morgan, Auburn, and W. P. Letchworth, Buffalo, are at the Astor House.

Assistant-Adjutant-Gen. Ira M. Burritt, United States Volunteers; Jas. W. Bissonnet, Chicago, and Jas. B. Kelly, St. Louis, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Prof. J. Mason, Providence; C. H. Goodman, Yale College, and Rob't Merrill, Louisville, are at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES.

The NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES is published THIS MORNING, and may be had at the counter of the publication office, in wrappers, ready for mailing. Price FIVE CENTS.

In addition to the latest intelligence by telegraph up to the moment of going to press, there will be found in the current number full details of all military events in the different departments, from the pens of our special correspondents. Also, all official orders, reports and documents, and the latest and fullest Washington news. European news, with graphic letters from our correspondents in London and Paris, giving the tone of public feeling abroad, is made a special and permanent feature. In addition to Editorials on all the current topics of the day, the WEEKLY TIMES has a page of carefully prepared commercial matter, giving the latest financial news and market reports; items of agriculture and domestic interest, compiled from sources many of which are otherwise inaccessible to the American reader; and marriages and obituaries of the week.

The "WEEKLY RECORD," or news summary—being a careful synopsis and digest of the news of the day, both political and general—is alone worth double the subscription price to the paper, as it presents in a condensed and conveniently classified form all news of interest, and must prove valuable as a record to all time.

The WEEKLY TIMES will be sent to subscribers in any part of the country on the following terms: One copy one year, $3; three copies one year, $8; ten copies one year, $15; twenty copies one year, $25. To any one who will send us a Club of Twenty, the SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES will be sent gratuitously for one year. To any one sending us a Club of Fifty, the DAILY TIMES will be sent gratis for one year.

One Bottle Did It.

REV. S. B. MORLEY, Attleboro', Mass., writes: "The effect of Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S WORLD OF HAIR RESTORER has been to change the 'crown of glory' belonging to old men to the original hue of youth. This was done by a single bottle. Others of my acquaintance have used it with same effect. The EYLOBALSAMUM I regard as an invaluable dressing for the hair."

Letter No. 2, on Electrical Therapeutics (will appear in TO-MORROW'S TIMES), by Dr. CHARBERRIER, Medical Electrician, No. 10 Bond-st.

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I was deaf for several years, and learned of the great cures performed by Dr. Von Eisenberg. I was induced to place myself under his care, and I am now happy to state that my hearing was entirely restored after a short treatment. I was also suffering from chronic catarrh, of which I was also cured by the skillful treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg. I do but justice to the Doctor in stating that to treating me he displayed that skill and knowledge which have already procured for him such a deserved reputation, and that the principles which direct his system of curing Deafness and Catarrh are such as to render success certain, in my opinion. Many months have passed since Dr. Von Eisenberg restored my hearing, and it continues as good as ever.
O. HOPKINS.

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New-York, Aug. 22, 1863.

I have been suffering for the last three years from a severe Catarrh, with a continual dullness in my head, a tightness across my chest, a weight over my eyes, which were weak, watery and very painful. My nostrils were continually obstructed with a pouring of mucus. I have had frequent sneezing, hoarseness of my voice, generally attended with spitting, often with a fullness of my throat, together with a soreness and a dropping. Dr. Von Eisenberg has cured me of all these disagreeable sufferings. I now feel a new life. The treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg is so skillful and so successful, it is impossible to overrate the benefit I have received at his hands. I heartily recommend any one suffering like myself to place themselves under Dr. Von Eisenberg's care, with a certainty of being speedily cured. I give this with great pleasure. I cannot forbear again saying that my voice, which was hoarse and thick when I applied to Dr. Von Eisenberg, is now clear and good. Indeed, I feel completely satisfied.
JAMES LITTLE,
No. 345 7th-st., New-York.

NEW-YORK, Sept. 8.

I have been suffering for years past from a severe Catarrh, with a great heaviness over my eyes, with a severe depression, great uneasiness, and pain in my head, great difficulty in breathing, and a continual accumulation in my nostrils, which gave me restless nights for several years. I have consulted several physicians, who pronounced me to be consumptive. What I suffered for so long a time is indescribable. My system was entirely disarranged and greatly debilitated. I not only felt weak, but I had a cloud continually before my eyes, and my ears were so affected that I was threatened with a total loss of hearing. I must say, I think, I was guided by Providence to come to Dr. Von Eisenberg, who not only cured me of my Catarrh by removing an astonishing quantity of disagreeable matter from my head, but he restored me to perfect health, a blessing I have not enjoyed for many years. Now I enjoy a good night's rest, and pursue my business with comfort. I must acknowledge that Dr. Von Eisenberg's mild and successful treatment for Catarrh deserves the highest commendation, as the principle which directs his system of curing Catarrh is such as to render success certain.
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No. 124 ALLEN-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 6, 1863.

I have been completely deaf in one ear, and partially so in the other, for above seventeen years, with a disagreeable discharge from both ears, combined with continual rumbling noise in the head; for which I have been treated by a most eminent practitioner in the City, without the slightest relief.

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JOHN CAFFREY.

NEW-YORK, July 30, 1863.

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CHRONIC CATARRH CURED.

READ.

NEW-YORK, March 28, 1863.

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UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.
DISTRICT OF INDIANA.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree and conditional mandate to me issued, and directed by the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Indiana, I will, on the 21st day of January, 1864, at the office of the Treasurer of State, in the City of Indianapolis, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. of said day, expose to sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, 200,000 of Indiana five per cent. State Stocks, the numbers of the certificates of which, and the respective amounts thereof, are as follows:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$2,000	[illegible]	$[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,000
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total					$[illegible]

Each certificate will be sold separately and in the order given, but in no event will either of said certificates be struck off and sold by me for less than seventy-five per cent of the par value thereof. Certificates of purchase will be by me executed and delivered to the purchasers, which under and by the terms of the decree, will entitle the purchasers to have the said certificates of stock purchased regularly transferred on by the laws of Indiana provided, and new certificates issued to in case of a regular transfer.

Dec. 4, 1863. D. G. ROSE, U. S. Marshal.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the United States, District of Indiana, November Term, 1863.

Rufus L. Cutting, vs. the President and Directors of the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, et al.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on the 18th day January, A. D. 1864, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, in the Court-house, in the city of Indianapolis, County of Marion, and State of Indiana, the undersigned, the Marshal of the United States of the District aforesaid, by virtue of a certified copy of the decree rendered and made by the Court in the above entitled cause, issued by the Clerk of said Court, will sell at public auction and public outcry, the following described property and franchises of the late Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, to wit:

The Peru and Indianapolis Railroad, running and extending from Peru, in the County of Miami, State of Indiana, through the Counties of Miami, Howard, Tipton, Hamilton and Marion, to the City of Indianapolis, in said County of Marion; and all and singular the land and real estate of which the said Railroad Company was, on the 5th day of March, 1856, or now is seized or possessed, together with all the road and roadbed, and all of the track, in the whole width and extent that the said Company was or is seized or possessed of the same, together with the superstructure, tracks and rails thereon and the bridges, viaducts, fences, depot grounds, and buildings thereon, engines, cars, tools, materials, machinery, and all the personal property, rights and franchises of the said Company, and also all that certain piece of land extending from the termination of the said Railroad at Peru to the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railroad, acquired or to be acquired by said Company, and the road bulkier to be built thereon, with the superstructure and rails placed or to be placed thereon, and all other property, real or personal, acquired or to be acquired by said Company, and also all the tolls, rents, and income to be had or levied from the said Railroad extending from Peru to Indianapolis and the extension thereof to the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railway, and also the Toledo and Wabash Railway Company, and all franchises, rights, and privileges of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company of, in, to, or concerning the same and any and every part thereof.

The rents and profits of said property will first be offered for sale, and, upon failing to realize a sufficient sum to satisfy the demand due upon said decree, I will, at the same time and place, in like manner offer for sale the fee simple of the property, effects, rights and franchises above described, proceed to be sold as the property of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company in the above mentioned suit.

The sale will be made without relief from the valuation and appraisement laws of the State of Indiana; and said property, &c., will be sold as an entirety, and subject to the prior and paramount lien of the deed of trust or mortgage executed by said Company on the 1st day of July, 1853, to James Winslow, as Trustee, to secure the payment of the bonds of the Company, amounting to $600,000, and interest thereon, which interest, unpaid on the 1st day of July, 1863, amounted to $39,134 17, and also subject to the rights and claims of the judgment recovered by the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company against said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, in the Fall of 1856, in the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, for $37,867, and which judgment has been assigned to Francis E. Cutting. The purchase money must be paid at the time the property is struck down, and upon default of payment the property to be offered and sold, the purchaser so failing to pay being responsible for any loss upon the reoffering.

DAVID G. ROSE, U. S. Marshal.

Wm. Henderson, Hendricks & Hord, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Nov. 13, 1863.

LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO.,
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have removed to No. 32 Wall-st., the building lately occupied by J. J. Olico, Esq., as the United States Sub-Treasury.

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OFFICE OF THE DAYTON AND MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMPANY,
CINCINNATI, Dec. 26, 1863.

NOTICE.—THE HOLDERS OF THE DAYTON and Michigan Railroad Company's Mortgage Bonds are notified that the interest coupons falling due on the first day of January, 1864, and signed Preserved Smith, Secretary, will be paid at the Bank of America on the first proximo, and the coupons of said Mortgage Bonds maturing on the first day of January, 1865, and signed by C. Telford, President, will be paid on presentation at the office of Winslow, Lanier & Co., New-York, on the first proximo. F. R. SHORT, Secretary.

PEORIA AND QUAWKA RAILROAD COMPANY.—The undersigned, having obtained a decree to sell the above road, are now prepared to receive the First and Second Mortgage Bonds, and issue for them Trustees' Certificates, under the agreement to reorganize the Company, made at a general meeting of bondholders held on the 2d, 1863.

The Bonds can be exchanged for Certificates at No. 36 Exchange-place, offices of WESTON, DE BILLIER & CO.

CHARLES L. FROST,
EDWARD WESTON,
HENRY D. MARQUAND, } Trustees.

New-York, Dec. 26, 1863.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23, 1863.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at Cleveland, on the 27th day of January, 1864. The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Jan. 2 until the 28th inst.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN GAS LIGHT CO.,
Brooklyn, cor. 23d-st., New-York, Dec. 24, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR TWELVE Directors of this Company will be held at their office on MONDAY, the 11th of January next. The poll will be opened at 12 o'clock M. and closed at 2 P. M. The transfer book will be closed on the evening of the 6th inst., and be opened on the morning of the 12th of January.

W. RIUS, Sec'y.

COUPONS OF FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS of the Joliet and Chicago Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1864, and coupons of First Mortgage Bonds of the Dubuque Southwestern Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1864, will be paid at our office, No. 60 Exchange-place, on and after Jan. 2, 1864, less the Government tax of 3 per cent.

M. K. JESUP & CO.

OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 162 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held on MONDAY, the 11th January next, at this office. The poll will open at 12 o'clock M., and continue open one hour.

H. H. LAMPORT, Secretary.

BOARD OF MILROAD, STATE CONSTRUCTION OFFICE,
LANSING, Dec. 23, 1863.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS ISSUED by the State of Michigan, due in New-York on the first day of January, 1864, will be paid at the Mechanics' Bank, in the city. [illegible]

DUBUQUE AND SIOUX CITY RAILROAD COMPANY.—The Coupons due Jan. 1, 1864, of the First Mortgage Bonds of the above Company, will be paid on and after that date (less Government tax) at the office of SCHUCHARDT & GERHARD.

FINANCIAL.

UNITED STATES FIVE-TWENTY BONDS.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular loan from sale at PAR. Until ten days' notice is given, the undersigned will continue to supply the public.

The whole amount authorized is FIVE HUNDRED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY MILLIONS of this amount has been already subscribed for and paid into the Treasury, leaving a balance of

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The Chicago and Great Eastern Railway Company now offer for sale one million one hundred thousand dollars of their first mortgage bonds, in sums of one thousand dollars each, maturing in thirty years, bearing interest at the rate of Seven per cent. per annum, payable in the City of New-York, on the first days of April and October, in each year.

These bonds are secured by a first and only Mortgage on the property, income and franchises of the Railway Company, executed to Frederick Schuchardt and Henry Morgan, of the City of New-York, Trustees.

The remaining nine hundred thousand dollars of the Bonds are set apart and remain in the hands of the said Trustees, for the purpose of retiring the bonds of the Subsidiaries of the Chicago and Cincinnati Railroad Company, running from La Crosse to Lacanspert; this effected, the $2,000,000 will form a First and only Mortgage on a line of road 110 miles in length, extending from Chicago to Lacanspert, where it connects with the Cincinnati and Chicago Air-line Railroad, forming the shortest line by 40 miles, between Chicago and Cincinnati, and by 36 miles the shortest line between Louisville and Chicago.

It will also open, in connection with roads now in operation, entirely new and very direct lines from Chicago to New-York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and all Eastern cities. The distance between Chicago and New-York by this route being shorter than by either of the existing lines via Dunkirk or Buffalo.

The road is now under contract, and the most strenuous efforts are being made to have it open for traffic during the Summer of 1864.

The interest on the Bonds maturing during the progress of the work has been provided for, and will remain on deposit with the Bankers of the Company, Messrs. SCHUCHARDT & GERHARD, No. 21 Nassau-st., to whom the Company refer for further particulars, and where subscription books for this loan have been opened.

D. JUDSON, President.

No. 37 William-st., New-York, Dec. 22, 1863.

$2,000,000 LOAN OF THE COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.

Subscriptions are hereby invited to a Loan of Two Million Dollars, authorized by an ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, approved by the Mayor October 31, 1863, entitled "An ordinance for the procurement of Substitutes for drafted soldiers for the armies of the Union, provided the same can be counted and allowed on the quota of the City and County of New-York in any future draft."

The proper books for such subscriptions will be opened at the Comptroller's office, on and after TUESDAY, the 17th day of November instant, and remain open until the whole sum shall be taken.

Subscribers will be required to deposit with the County Treasurer, at the Broadway Bank, within five days after receiving their subscriptions, the sum subscribed for by them respectively, and, on presenting his receipts for the money to the Comptroller, they will be entitled to receive Bonds of the County for equal amounts, redeemable on or before June 1, 1864, with interest from the date of payment at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Nov. 16, 1863.

FOR SALE.

Sacramento Valley First Mortgage 10 per cent. Bonds, payable in gold.

Central Pacific First Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds, payable in gold.

San Mateo County (California) 7 per cent. Bonds, payable in gold.

Santa Clara County (California) 7 per cent. Bonds, payable in gold.

City of Auburn (California) 8 per cent. Bonds, payable in gold.

Sacramento, Placer and Nevada First Mortgage 10 per cent. Bonds, payable in currency.

Saint Paul and Pacific First Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds, payable in currency.

Lake Erie and Pacific First Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds, payable in currency.

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OFFICE OF MARIPOSA COMPANY,
No. 34 WALL-STREET, NEW-YORK,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Bonds of the Mariposa Company, of one thousand dollars each, were this day drawn by lot for redemption, from the whole number of 600 issued, viz.: Nos. 184, 251, 284, 313, 404, 445, 526, 529, 591, 654, 690, 692, 693, 697, 698, 1066, 1163, 1166, 1373, 1386, 1439, 1443, 1487, 1489; and that the same, together with the six months' accrued interest, will be paid in gold, on the 1st day of January next, on presentation at the office of the Company. Bonds must be presented within five days after the first day of January next, under penalty of forfeiture of the privilege of redemption from the sinking fund under this drawing.

MORRIS RETCHUM, Treasurer.

Dated Dec. 7, 1863.

OFFICE OF THE PACIFIC MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.,
TRINITY BUILDING, No. 111 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the 31st inst., preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year, are requested to furnish an account of premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims for return of premiums to prevent discrepancy in the accounts.

THOMAS HALE, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE MARIPOSA COMPANY,
No. 34 WALL-STREET,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Interest Coupons of the Bonds of the Mariposa Company, falling due on the first day of January next, will be paid on that day, in gold, on presentation at the office of the Company. JAMES HOY, President.

Geo. W. Fowles, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INS. CO.,
No. 51 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the 31st inst., preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year prior to 1st January next, are requested to furnish an account of the premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims for return of premiums, to prevent discrepancies in the accounts.

J. H. CHAPMAN,
Acting Secretary.

OFFICE OF TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD COMPANY, (Eastern Division,) No. 52 Wall-st., New-York, Dec. 21, 1863.—The interest due 31st December on the PREFERRED CERTIFICATES issued by this Trust will be paid on and after the 24 day of January, at the office of the Trustees, No. 52 Wall-st. The transfer books for all certificates will be closed from the afternoon of the 24th inst. to the morning of the 4th of January, 1864.

EDWIN BARTLETT, Chairman.

TO STOCK BROKERS.—A YOUNG GENTLEman of experience and acquaintance in the Stock market, and belonging to a firm about being dissolved, desires a situation as cashier, &c., in a broker's office; is a good penman and accountant. Salary can be agreed upon to the amount of business influenced, or will put in some capital, and take a small interest, if preferred. References furnished. Address H. & M., Box No. 244 Post-office.

MECHANIC'S BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR ELEVEN Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking-house, No. 35 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, the 12th of January next. The polls will be opened at 12 M. and close at 2 P. M. The transfer books will be closed from Saturday, Jan. 9, to Tuesday, Jan. 12, inclusive.

C. D. VERMILYE, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO AND WABASH RAILWAY CO.,
No. 112 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Nov. 21, 1863.

THE TOLEDO AND WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY will extend until 1864 the payment of all their First Mortgage Bonds which shall be presented at this office for that purpose before the 1st day of January next.

By order of the Board of Directors.

A. BOODY, President.

OFFICE EARLVILLE AND CHICKASAW RAILROAD CO.,
(In reorganization.) CHRISTOPHER, O., Dec. 22, 1863.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Stock Books of this Company, at the office at Chillicothe and at the New-York transfer office, will be closed from the 1st to the 15th January next.

W. H. WATSON, Secretary.

THE COUPONS OF THE CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD COMPANY, will, after Jan. 1, 1864, be paid at the Ocean Bank, in the City of New-York.

H. ROCKWELL, Secretary.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24, 1863.

CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD CO.—FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.—The coupons due 1st January, 1864, on the above-named Bonds, has been placed to the credit of the holders, and will be paid on presentation to

C. S. ROBBINS & CO., No. 14 Wall-st.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY.—The coupons due 1st January, 1864, of the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company, will be paid on and after that date in Gold Coin, less Government tax, at the office of SCHUCHARDT & GERHARD.

FINANCIAL.

THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
No. 24 City Exchange, Boston.

AT A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS of the Michigan Central Railroad Company, held at Boston the 15th day of December, 1863, it was

Voted, that a dividend of six dollars per share, free of Government tax, be, and the same is hereby declared payable on the 1st day of January next, to holders of Stock, at the close of business on the 19th instant. Payment to be made to stockholders residing in Michigan and registered at Boston, at the office of the General Receiver in Detroit; to holders of stock registered in the City of New-York, at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, in said City; and to all others, at the office of the Treasurer in the City of Boston.

Voted, that the Transfer Books of the Company be closed from and after the 19th until the 26th instant.

ISAAC LIVERMORE, Treasurer.

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THE SUSQUEHANNA AND WYOMING VALLEY RAILROAD AND COAL CO.

No. 48 Fine-st., New-York, Dec. 29, 1863.

The annual meeting of stockholders of this Company for Directors will be held at the office of the Company, on TUESDAY, the 26th day of January next, at 3 o'clock P. M.

THOS. LOYD, Secretary.

$30,000.

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ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Manager.

NOTICE.—THE HOLDERS OF THE FIRST Mortgage Bonds of the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company are hereby notified that upon delivery of their bonds to the undersigned, at their office, No. 18 Pine-st., after maturity, or before the 20th day of January next, they will receive the principal and interest thereon; or, at their option, they may renew their bonds for fifteen years, with interest at six per cent, payable semi-annually—to pay which within that time a simple sinking fund has been provided.

ABRAHAM BELL'S SON.

Dated New-York, Dec. 30, 1863.

OFFICE OF THE HOMESTEAD FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 117 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR TWENTY-four Directors of this Company will be held at the Company's office on MONDAY, the 11th day of January next, between the hours of 11 M. and 1 P. M. The transfer books will be closed from the 1st previous until after the election.

A. WILLIS, Jr., Secretary.

LOST—MICHIGAN SOUTHERN AND NORTHern Indiana Railroad Company 7 per cent. Second Mortgage Bonds, Nos. [illegible] and [illegible], for $500 each, dated Oct. 31, 1857, and redeemable Nov. 1, 1877, with semi-annual interest coupons, payable in May and November. Payment of same has been stopped and application made to the Company for the issue of duplicate Bonds.

CAMMANN & CO.

ST. NICHOLAS BANK, No. 1 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR FIFTEEN Directors of this Bank and three inspectors of the ensuing election will be held at the banking house on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1864. The poll will open at 12 o'clock M. and close at 1 P. M.

A. PARKHURST, Cashier.

SEVENTH WARD BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1863.

ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS.—ELECTION FOR TWELVE Directors of this Bank, and for three inspectors of the next succeeding election, will be held at the Banking-house, No. 224 Pearl-st., in the City of New-York, on MONDAY, the 11th day of January next, between the hours of 11 and 2 o'clock P. M. By order of the Board.

A. S. FRASER, Cashier.

MARKET BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank, and for three inspectors of the then next succeeding election, will be held at the Banking-house, on Monday, the 11th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

T. GILBERT, Cashier.

BUTCHERS AND DROVERS' BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 30, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank and for three inspectors of the next annual election, will take place at the Banking-house on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January next. The poll will open the first day of January next. The poll will open at 1 o'clock and close at 2 P. M. By order of the Board.

R. P. FERRIN, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company, and for Inspectors, will be held at the Company's office, No. 71 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1864, commencing at 12 o'clock M., and closing at 1 o'clock P. M.

A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

COUPON NOTICE.—HOLDERS OF RAILWAY County, City and Town Bonds can obtain information as to the payment of coupons attached upon application to GEO. D. DUMBAR, No. 67 William-st. Dealer in Securities of every description. Communications by mail receive prompt attention.

INTEREST ON INDIANA STATE DEBT.—Interest on the 6th day of January next, we will attach the Half-yearly Interest, which falls due on the 1st of that month on the Funded Debt of the State of Indiana.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.

New-York, Dec. 31, 1863.

NOTICE.—THE COUPONS OF THE INCOME Bonds of the Mississippi and Missouri Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1864, will be paid on and after that date on presentation at the Corn Exchange Bank.

GEO. T. M. DAVIS, Treasurer.

New-York, Dec. 28, 1863.

CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.—The coupons due Jan. 1, 1864, on the Mortgage Bonds of this Company, will be paid on and after that date, less Government tax, at the office of EUGENE KELLY & CO., No. 52 Wall-st.

TRAVELLERS' BANK, N. Y., Dec. 29, 1863.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS and Inspectors will be held on TUESDAY, the 12th of January, from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

HOLDERS OF THE COUPONS OF PICKHAWAY County (Ohio) Bonds, due 1st of January, 1864, and made payable at the Continental Bank, are requested to present them at the Bank for payment.

ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.—Coupons on the above Company will be paid on presentation to

ANDREW SWANN, No. 41 Wall-st.

THE ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO, COUPONS, due 1st proxo., will be paid by us on and after that date, less 3 per cent. Government tax.

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DIVIDENDS.

BANK OF AMERICA.

DIVIDEND.—The President and Directors of the Bank of America have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) per cent. for the current six months, free from Government tax, payable to the Stockholders on and after SATURDAY, Jan. 2, 1864.

The Transfer Book will remain closed from this date until the morning of Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1864.

WM. H. WILMET, Cashier.

New-York, December, 1863.

DUBUQUE AND SIOUX CITY RAILROAD COMPANY,
DUBUQUE, IOWA, Dec. 24, 1863.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIdend of Three and a Half per cent. has been declared on the preferred stock of this Company, from the net earnings of the past six months, payable in cash, on and after the 15th of January next, to the holders thereof as they shall stand on the books of the Company, at close of business the 31st inst. The Dividend will be payable in Eastern Stockholders, at the banking house of Messrs. SCHUCHARDT & GERHARD, No. 21 Nassau-st., New-York, and to the Dubuque Stockholders, only at the Treasurer's office in Dubuque.

The transfer books will be closed on Thursday, Dec. 31, and reopened on Monday, Jan. 18, 1864.

EDWARD STILMSON, President.

OFFICE OF THE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY,
TOTTEN BUILDING, No. 60 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 24, 1863.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Four (4) Per Cent. out of the earnings of the road for the three months ending 31st inst., and One (1) Per Cent. out of the earnings of steamers, sailing vessels, &c., payable to the stockholders of their legal representatives on and after the 5th day of January next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the evening of the 26th day of December until the morning of the 5th day of January next.

HENRY SMITH, Treasurer.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of the New-Jersey Zinc Company, held at Jersey City, N. J., on the 16th inst., a dividend of four and two-thirds per cent., on preferred, and two per cent on common stock, was declared and payable at the transfer office of Company, No. 108 Liberty-st., New-York, on and after Jan. 2, 1864. The transfer books will be closed on 17th instant to 2d proximo.

A. H. FARLIN, President and Secretary.

METROPOLITAN BANK, NO. 102 BROADway, New-York, Dec. 24, 1863.—DIVIDEND.—The Directors of the Metropolitan Bank have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Four (4) per Cent, payable, free of United States tax, on or after MONDAY, Jan. 4, next.

The Transfer Books will be closed on 23d inst., and opened on Jan. 5, 1864. By order

GEO. L. SENEY, Cashier.

BULL'S HEAD BANK—17TH DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors of this Bank has declared its usual quarterly dividend of three per cent., free of Government tax, out of the earnings of the past three months, payable on and after the 2d of January next.

The transfer books will be closed from this date to the 2d proximo.

Dec. 24, 1863. E. W. WILMET, Cashier.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 24, 1863.

TWENTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD of Directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of Four per Cent., and an extra dividend of Four per Cent., "free of Government tax," out of the earnings of the current six months, payable to the Stockholders on and after Jan. 5, 1864.

J. S. FOX, Cashier.

IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 23, 1863.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE BOARD OF Directors of this Bank have declared a dividend of Four per Cent. on its Capital Stock, and made it payable on and after Jan. 2 next, free of Government tax.

JAMES BURELL, Cashier.

BANK OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1863.

150TH DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECtors have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after 20 January next. The Transfer Books will be closed from this date until 2 January.

W. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors have declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of Six Per Cent., and an extra Dividend of Four Per Cent. on the Capital Stock of this Bank and free of Government tax, payable on the 5th day of January ensuing.

A. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Bank have declared a dividend of Four per cent., payable to the stockholders on MONDAY, the 4th of January next.

The Transfer Books will be closed on that day.

GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Three and One-half Per Cent. on the Capital of this Bank, free of Government tax, will be paid on and after 2d January next. The transfer books will be closed from this date until 2d proximo.

E. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

EAST RIVER BANK.—DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have declared a Dividend from the profits of the last six months of 3½ per cent, payable on and after January 2, 1864, free of Government tax.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 5th inst. to January 3, 1864, inclusive.

W. S. CARMAN, Cashier.

EXCHANGE BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Dividend of Four Per Cent., free of Government tax, payable to the stockholders on and after 2d January next. The transfer books will be closed from this date until Jan. 2.

WM. H. COX, Cashier.

BANK OF NORTH AMERICA,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1863.

DIVIDEND NO. 25.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIdend of four (4) per cent., free of Government tax, has been declared payable on and after the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed from this day to 2d proximo. By order.

J. A. BEARDSLEY, Acting Cashier.

HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Four per Cent. on the capital stock, free of Government tax, payable on the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed from this date to the time of payment. By order.

THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

MANUFACTURERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1863.

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MR. GUNTHER: The brilliant political campaign by you prepared, and through which you have so gloriously passed, has not been without great sacrifice of your time and patience, and has doubtless drawn largely upon them both. You have been interested, deeply interested in the movements of your friends, in respect to those plans tending to the production of a certain object, and so in doing have entered to the highest strains of oratory and participated therein.

It is not my intention to tax your patience but for a moment, nor by an attempt at imitation. The time for such has passed with the occasion.

The time before you will be called upon to leave the more quiet and retired walks of domestic and private life, and to assume the more arduous and responsible duties of an elevated and a highly honorable position, being so short, when so many subjects and men must necessarily claim your great attention and consideration, that you can and do postpone them to thus meet your friends and to give them the occasion to testify their friendship and attachment to you, nature so to speak you for the great pleasure and satisfaction you thus afford us, by your presence here to-night.

To see before you a few of the vast number of the warm personal friends you have in this, the City of your first, they have desired, and I have yielded to their desire, that I should be the medium of their congratulation, and they sincerely thank you that from the great multiplicity of your engagements you have been pleased now to be present with them.

It is, and ever must be, impossible for you to know and fully to appreciate what an indissoluble cord of attachment has existed between yourself and your friends, and particularly those present, and how anxiously they have watched through the different and difficult positions to which you have been placed and so grounded, doubting never, for a moment, that the end would be one of great triumph to yourself and them.

The trials of your life have scarcely commenced. Your great troubles are ahead. We do not desire to increase them. We are no politicians. We have no personal favors to ask or seek for, save one, and that is, as at your great talent, your time, your industry, and your great honest heart, shall so far as it shall be necessary for the public good, be devoted to the faithful administration of our Municipal Government, so that when the termination of your time shall take place, you will joyfully hear the words of welcome, from your great constituency, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." We have higher honors in store for you. Having found you faithful over a few, we will make thee ruler over many.

Withdrawing, as you now do, from the active pursuits of an industrious commercial life, and assuming, as you will, the honorable and distinguished position of the Mayoralty of this proud and prosperous City, your friends have made a selection of a useful, modest and beautiful article, a watch, which they ask that you will be pleased to accept, as a testimonial of the high regard, attachment and esteem in which they hold you, hoping that in your few moments of leisure, when seated therein, it will be the means of carrying along, also, fond recollections of the donors.

Depart (maybe that this, your coach of State, will not meet with difficulties and obstructions. If so, it will be the first one. Do not borrow trouble at insidious rates of interest. "Go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear and with a manly heart." Don't let it turn aside for slight obstructions. Let it not be an easy task to arrest the onward progress. Let every resolution of its wheels bring you nearer and closer to the hearts and interests of those you represent—the whole people. But should obstructions "block" for a time the wheels, we know that your own shoulder will be the first to the hub; then if it stirs one start, how quickly will you then see your wheel horses and your leaders, with the pushers and the pullers, all united for a purpose, all with honest hearts and willing hands, with a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull all together, and onward as it goes the coach of State.

And now, my friends, in conclusion let me say, take great hope. At yonder pier lies moored the stately ship, the City of New-York; she is well provisioned for a voyage; her hull is new, her deck is staunch, her sails are white, her yards are manned; now her hawsers are cut, her sails are full, she flies before the wind—long huzzahs resound from shore to shore as she onward speeds her course, with C. GUNTHER at the helm.

To this Mr. GUNTHER made the following modest and expressive response:

MR. CHAIRMAN: Your very complimentary remarks, together with the very handsome carriage sent to my stable this afternoon, are deserving of a more extended reply than I am prepared to make. I can simply return you my sincere thanks. I assure you, gentlemen, that I consider myself amply repaid for all the troubles and sacrifices that I have made in the recent Mayoralty canvass. Looking over the list of those who have brought about this prize and feast, I do not discover any who expect to be the recipients of any special favor at my hands. This, gentlemen, removes very much of the embarrassment that I otherwise would be under. I have no offence to give you, and I can only promise you that which you all expect, and that is, that I shall do my duty. If in the first endeavors to do so I should be thwarted in one way or another, I shall not forget the advice of the old Roman Cardinal, "Try, try again. There was each word as full." I again sincerely thank you for this compliment. [Applause.]

At the conclusion of these unceremonious ceremonies, the party were ushered into the dining-room, where a band of music enlivened their steps, and a most sumptuous bill of fare whetted their appetites. The Mayor elect was placed at the right of Mr. HARRINGTON, who gracefully presided. There was nothing formal in the entertainment; it was thoroughly a social affair, and the dinner, in itself most admirable and creditable to the St. James, was succeeded by a "feast of reason and a flow of soul," which left pleasant and permanent remembrances on all those participating. Mr. GUNTHER modestly and pertinently replied to all the kind things said at and to him. The entire affair was a success, made so without pretence or parade; and "His Honor" that is to be, cannot but properly and fully appreciate it.

The Committee of Arrangements were RICHARD M. HARRINGTON, Chairman, WM. PAUL, WHITFIELD, CARR, JOHN HOOPER.

The Committee waiting on and assisting Mr. GUNTHER were DANIEL BREWSTER, REUBEN APPLEBY and WM. C. SCHIEFER.

Among those present who had a prominent part in the compliment were Isaac Noe, Joseph Powers, Chas. Schaefer, Wm. Spence, John Foster, Charles Place, Jacob Bauch and James F. Wenman.

Negro Equality in the South—The Free State Convention in Louisiana.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I am sure that had you been better acquainted with the gentlemen who are prominent in the Free State Committee of Louisiana, you would not have inserted the leader in your paper of this date with the above heading. You acknowledge that you do not know them, but assume "that neither its members nor their constituents have been for any very long time citizens of Louisiana." "They are probably from the North"—"political speculators or social missionaries." "These Northern men who have gone South will do well not to push matters too far or too fast."

Permit me to correct your mistake. The men who are the head and heart and life of the movement are all Southern men, or those who made the South their home long before the rebellion broke out. They are men who have suffered terribly at the hands of the rebels, and know from experience that there can be no compromise with Slavery. This question is one of life or death with them in Louisiana.

THOMAS J. DURANT, Esq., the President of the Convention, is a lawyer of the first rank in New-Orleans; a man of the highest literary culture, who has won his present eminent position by the force of his character. He is no politician. Has always since an infant resided in New-Orleans or at his country seat across the lake. Before the rebellion he was a man of wealth, and now he holds in his hands the largest legal practice in New-Orleans. As soon as the Courts were opened last year (1867) he went forward and suggested and obtained a decree of emancipation for all his slaves. He is not a fanatic or an enthusiast as you suppose, but a man of sober judgment, carrying out the premises of freedom to their logical and honest conclusion.

CHAS. W. HOLMES, his partner, has been a resident of Louisiana for many years. His wife is one of the most accomplished daughters of the South—a native of Georgia—who most cordially approves the efforts of the Free State Committee.

Judge HUNTSMAN, another of the prime movers in the progress toward freedom, is now a man somewhat advanced in years, who was never out of Louisiana till last Summer, when he came to New-York and as may be your choice, spoke at the Cooper Institute to a large audience.

S. F. FLANDERS was compelled to fly from New-Orleans during secession rule, barely escaping assassination.

J. B. CARRE, another active worker, is the Superintendent of all the Public Schools in New-Orleans.

And I might go through the list of these most prominent men in this work, and mark them all as residents of the South for many years previous to the rebellion, and most of them slaveholders. Not one in a hundred is a new comer to Louisiana.

You also assume "that they regard colored men as on a footing of equality in all respects with the whites." They do no such thing. They would only have the colored man put on a footing of equality in the eye of the law, with the white man, leaving other equalities to settle themselves.

If you will consider that at the present hour one-fifth of the personal and real estate of New-Orleans is held by colored men, you will find that in admitting to the floor of the convention a delegation of these property-holders, they do not differ so very much from the custom here. The colored man who has the requisite amount of property here is permitted to vote.

If you will compare the two bodies of citizens of Louisiana—the one laboring to retain Slavery as long as possible, the other laboring to bring the State into the ranks of the decidedly Free States—it will be found that weight of character, education and freedom from "political speculation" decidedly predominates on the side of the latter. That so far from being of the amalgamation school, they see the errors of the mere theorists at the North; but while they preserve their own standing they are determined that the colored man shall have by law accorded to him the same right they claim for themselves.

That you may see that I have not misstated the position of these gentlemen, I send you a synopsis of the speech of Mr. DURANT to an assemblage of colored men in New-Orleans. HOWARD OSGOOD.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Dec. 28, 1868.

The speech to which Mr. OSGOOD refers is devoted mainly to a consideration of the causes of the rebellion. We copy the following passage, which sets forth the speaker's view on the point more immediately involved in this discussion. Mr. DURANT said:

"But there were matters of more practical interest to his audience, respecting the political status and civil rights of the colored people, and upon this subject he would speak, freely and honestly.

There were three classes of citizens among the population of Louisiana—the white free citizens, the free colored—who had always been free, and their parents before them, in most instances, and most of them well and correctly educated, refined and capable of transacting both public and private business, and those who have been slaves, but who are either now, or soon will be, free by the President's Emancipation Proclamation, the necessities of whose condition had prevented the development of their natural abilities by education. The spirit of Freedom, however, was progressing among this class. He cited the instance of JOHN BROWN—not the criminal hero of that name—but a plantation witness whom he had seen at Court a few days since, to whom the objection was made that he was not free. When asked if he was free, he responded in the affirmative. 'But did you not have a master once?' 'Oh yes.' 'Well, then, what makes you think you are free?' 'Why,' said he, 'the *country says I'm free*, and I *go with the country!*' This, the speaker thought, spoke volumes in favor of the colored man's appreciation of the grand verdict of public opinion against Slavery.

The uneducated and formerly enslaved class, he thought, could not be immediately admitted to all the rights and privileges of American citizens in full—but as to those who had been born free, and many of whom had been accustomed to the exercise of the rights of freemen for half a century, he believed they were equally entitled, with any other class, to all the rights, civil, educational, political, and religious, of American citizens in full. [Immense applause.] The modesty, dignity, and temperance of their bearing, and that of the journal through which their views and arguments had been laid before the public, while making the demand, proved justly, too, for those rights to which they believed themselves justly entitled, as well as the arguments upon which they relied to demonstrate the right fulness of their cause and the justice of their claims, had never been exceeded in the history of any people."

Negro Equality in the South.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your article in the TIMES of the 28th December, upon "Negro Equality in the South," commencing on a Free-State Convention in New-Orleans, has suggested to my mind the possibility that we may after all be mistaken in our Northern judgment of what is likely to happen at the South in respect to the social status of the negro after Slavery shall be eradicated. Is it not quite possible that we are to undergo a surprise on this subject, and that spontaneously the essential equality of the black race will be altogether more suddenly admitted and realized at the South than would happen at the North? There are several considerations involved in this question. In the first place, there is a law of extensive application in human affairs, that extremes meet; that an extreme in one direction is very apt to be followed by an extreme in the opposite direction. In the next place, the prejudice against the black man and the black race at the North and the South is of a very different nature, and may perhaps operate in a very different way. At the North it is a prejudice against the personality, the presence, the contact, the features, &c., of these people. At the South, whatever they may say in order to justify Slavery while it lasts, there is next to no prejudice of this kind. It is there a prejudice against the *status* of the negro, first and foremost; and perhaps we shall find it to have been almost totally one against his claim to become a free man. Now suppose this claim not merely to have been made, but actually and triumphantly sustained for the black man of the South by the events of the war, and that question therefore hopelessly decided against the prejudice of the whites, and it may prove that there remains far less obstacle than we have believed—far less, indeed, than there would be under like circumstances at the North, to the two races assorting each other almost from the first, and working together upon the most fraternal terms.

An officer of one of the Kansas regiments informs me that in Kansas, Western Missouri, Western Arkansas and the Indian Territory, it is common to see the different companies of black and white and red troops sandwiched in among each other, in their evolutions, and that nothing but the law organizing the regiments, and recognizing the differences of race, prevents their belonging indiscriminately to the same companies. In other words, I am told that in that locality the prejudice against color is already virtually wiped out by the mutual intercourse of the races, and their sympathy in the same struggle and the same cause. It is said that the two black soldiers in the field so thoroughly abolitionized as the native recruits of Missouri and Arkansas, and it may happen that with the progress of our reconcession of the South, the common people may settle the whole matter in advance of the speculations of statesmen by coming to a practical recognition of the fact that a man's a man for a' that. S. P. ANDREWS.

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TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.—The Phrenological Cabinet of Museum, of Messrs. FOWLER & WELLS, at No. 308 Broadway, will remain open to-day, and till noon to-morrow. Other days from 9 A. M. to 7 P. M. Examinations as usual.

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CONOVER—LEWIS.—On Tuesday, Dec. 29, at her father's residence, by Rev. Dr. HOFFAN, of St. Thomas' Church, SAMUEL CONOVER and CARRIE, daughter of James S. Lewis.

GARRIGUE—BIRDS.—On Wednesday, Dec. 23, by Rev. Ralph Ferry, at the residence of the bride's parents, Dr. O. H. GARRIGUE, of New-York, and ALICE MARY S., eldest daughter of Dr. Jos. Birds, of Newport, R. I.

HEATH—FOOTE.—On Tuesday, Dec. 29, by Rev. Dr. Dowling, JOHN A. HEATH and Miss LOUISA FOOTE, all of this City.

WALKER—SEYFRIED.—On Wednesday, Aug. 12, by Rev. Wm. H. Johnson, Isaac S. Walker and Josephine Seyfried.

DIED.

BISHOP.—In Greenville, N. J., on Saturday, Dec. 26, Mrs. LAURA BISHOP, relict of the late Isaac Bishop, and mother of the late Hon. Isaac W. Bishop, aged 80 years.

SAYWARD.—In Flushing, L. I., on Tuesday, Christmas, Dec. 25, ANNA C., the beloved wife of Joseph W. Sayward, aged 23 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her father, Thos. L. Peck, in Flushing, on Friday morning, Jan. 1, at 11 o'clock, without further invitation. Her remains will be taken to Norwalk, Conn., for interment.

HOWORTH.—On Wednesday, Dec. 30, SOPHRONIA HOWORTH, formerly of Catskill, N. Y.

The funeral services will be held at the late residence, No. 69 London Terrace, West 23d-st., this day (Thursday), Dec. 31, at 2 o'clock P. M. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. The remains will be taken to Catskill for interment.

CLARK.—On Wednesday, Dec. 30, of diphtheria, LOUISA HORACE, adopted daughter of Burton E. and Mary E. Clark, aged 6 years, 4 months and 18 days.

Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her adopted parents, corner of New-York-av. and St. Mark's-place, Brooklyn, this (Thursday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

BECKER.—Suddenly, of heart disease, on Tuesday, Dec. 29, ANN, wife of Richard Becker, aged 43 years.

Funeral services will be held in the evening, Thursday, Dec. 31, at 8 o'clock, at her late residence, No. 120 West 37th-st. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend, without further notice. The remains will be taken to Somers, Westchester County, for interment.

GIBSON.—At Bay View, Hudson County, N. J., on Tuesday, Dec. 22, JAMES GIBSON, Jr., after a long and severe illness, aged 32 years, 6 months and 24 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his father's residence, on the Jersey City and Bergen Point Plank-road, on Friday, Dec. 25, at 3 o'clock P. M.

HAMILTON.—On Tuesday, Dec. 29, of congestion of the brain, CAMILLA, youngest daughter of J. G. and Eliza J. Hamilton.

Funeral on Thursday, Dec. 31, at 1 o'clock P. M., from the Church of the Mediator, corner Lexington-av. and 30th-st.

HANCE.—In Shrewsbury, N. J., on Saturday, Dec. 26, SUSAN, wife of Benjamin Hance, of Monmouth County, and daughter of Hannah P. Hance, in the 26th year of her age.

HOLDEN.—In Seymour, Conn., on Sunday, Dec. 27, of consumption, JANE ATWOOD, daughter of Henrietta C. and Edward L. Holden, in the 13th year of her age.

LE ROY.—On Wednesday, Dec. 30, after a short illness, FERDINAND C. LE ROY, M. D., youngest son of Herman Le Roy.

The relatives and friends of the family, also those of his father-in-law, Henry R. Remsen, are respectfully requested to attend the funeral, from Christ Church, Tarrytown, on Saturday, Jan. 2, from Christ Church, Tarrytown, at 12 o'clock M. Cars leave foot of 30th-st., New-York, at 10:27 A. M., returning from Tarrytown at 2:40 P. M.

LEACH.—In Williamsburgh, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, ABAH LEACH, aged 60 years, for many years a resident of this City.

Notice of his funeral will be given in to-morrow morning's papers.

PEET.—On Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the New-York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, SARAH ANN, wife of Dr. Harvey P. Peet, and daughter of the late Nathan Smith, M. D., of New-Rochelle, aged 49 years.

The Board of Directors, the friends of her husband, and of her brothers, Prof. Wm. M. Smith, Dr. Nathan, William H. and Charles Smith, are invited to attend her funeral, to-day (Thursday), at the Washington Heights Presbyterian Church, at 1½ o'clock P. M., without further notice. The 1½ train Hudson River Railroad up, and 3:40 down, will be a convenient mode of conveyance, stopping at 152d-st. The remains will be taken to New-Rochelle, for interment.

QUACKENBOSS.—Suddenly, on Tuesday, Dec. 29, GEORGE EWELL, only son of George W. Quackenboss, aged 3 years, 9 months and 5 days.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his father, No. 33 West 19th-st., on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 31, at 3 o'clock.

SPEARMAN.—In San Francisco, Cal., on Sunday, Nov. 8, after a short illness, MRS. MARY SPEARMAN, formerly of Dublin, N. Y.

Buffalo (N. Y.) papers please copy.

SWARTS.—On Wednesday, Dec. 30, AARON SWARTS, Jr., only son of Aaron Swarts, aged 22 years.

The friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 194 East 104th-st., on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 2, at 1½ o'clock.

TRUMAN.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Dec. 30, JOSEPHINE MARIA, only daughter of Dr. Joseph M. and Sophia B. Turner, aged 9 years and 10 months.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at the residence of her parents, No. 271 Henry-st., this day (Thursday), Dec. 31, at 3 o'clock P. M.

TAPPAN.—In Augusta, Me., on Tuesday, Dec. 22, Rev. BENJAMIN TAPPAN, D. D., aged 88 years.

Passengers Sailed.

In steamship Oreole, for New-Orleans.—Mrs. Van Wagener, Mrs. Eliza McDonald, T. G. Allen, L. H. Clemens, A. R. Oram, A. J. Sanford, L. Tonnow, G. Angelon, J. H. Hatch, M. Tourrier, Daniel Cundell, B. Trask, and others in the steerage.

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

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HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.
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MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30.

Arrived.

U. S. steam transport City of Bath, Sears, Hilton Head, S. C., 20th inst., via Fortress Monroe, 36 hours, to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster. Stopped at Fortress Monroe to land 100 recruits of 10th Indiana Volunteers.

Steamer Potomac, Lord, Portland, Me., with mdse. and passengers to R. R. Cornell.

Steamer Sea Gull, Kenny, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bynner.

Steamer Westchester, Walton, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bynner.

Steamer Falcon, Jones, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bynner.

Ship Hamlet, Manila July 25, passed Ombay Bow., 9, with mdse. to Brown, Shipley & Co. When off Cape Lagullas, was boarded by the U. S. steamship Vandalia, bound to Cape Town. Passed the Cape of Good Hope Oct. 31, and 4th from St. Helena Nov. 8. Sept. 22, Henry A. Brisbin, of Cambridgeport, Mass., aged 37 years, first officer, died. Also on Nov. 4, Charles Lester, of Copenhagen, a seaman, aged 24 years.

Ship Union, Leach, Palermo 44 da., with fruit to Lawrence, Giles & Co.—vessel to Jacquemot & Christmas. Had heavy weather 10 to 20 N., had a strong gale from E. S. E. with a heavy sea and thick weather, during which Lewis Lalla, seaman, was washed overboard and lost.

Ship Ardmillan, (of Glasgow,) Fullerton, Liverpool 40 da., with mdse. to F. McDonald & Co. Dec. 22, 100 miles S. of Nantucket Shoals, passed the schr. Fred Dyer, of Belfast, Me., with foremast gone, and apparently abandoned. The A. had strong westerly gales most of the passage.

Ship Tyro, (of Yarmouth, N. S.) Scott, Newport, W., 47 da., with railroad iron to McAndrew & Warren. Had strong westerly winds most of the passage.

Ship James L. Bonsal, Cameron, Liverpool Nov. 10, with coal and salt to Bogert & Kneeland. Had heavy W. S. W. gales first 20 da.; was driven to lat. 55 N. Nov. 27, experienced a hurricane from S. S. W.; shipped a heavy sea, washed away booby hatches, bulwarks, and doing considerable other damage. Also been 4 da. from Nantucket with easterly gales and thick weather.

Ship Gottorp, (Oldg.,) Wiericks, Havre 45 da., with mdse. to Ruger Bros.

Ship Marcia C. Day, Chase, Philadelphia 3 da., in ballast to Walsh, Carver & Chase.

Bark Anita, (Venez.) Rivera, Ciudad Bolivar 22 da., with hides, etc., to Hayneck & Halsey. Been 13 da. N. of Hatteras with very heavy weather.

Bark Thomas Terry, (of St. John, N. B.,) Malony, Cardenas 13 da., with cargo to Brett, Son & Co.

Bark Saxonia, (Russ.,) Dahlstedt, Marseilles 60 da., passed Gibraltar Nov. 12, with mdse. to Brelthaupt & Wilson.

Bark Gutenberg, (Prus.,) Raschen, Bremen 25 da., with mdse. and 278 passengers to Heymann Koop & Co.

Bark Reindeer, (of New-Haven,) Wellington, Barbados 17 da., with mdse. to R. Trowbridge's Sons.

Bark Julie, (Russ.,) Bjerkman, Cadiz, with wine and salt to Holmbee & Balchen.

Bark Abd-el-Kader, Nickerson, Port Royal 8 days, in ballast, to H. D. Brookman & Co.

Bark James Carthy, (of Liverpool,) Ritchie, Montevideo 19 da., with hides to George Moke. Had heavy weather on the passage.

Bark [illegible], (of Bangor,) Fernald, Savannah 11 da., with cotton to Dexter, Hamilton & Co. Have been 12 da. N. of Hatteras, with very heavy weather. Dec. 1, in the river, passed Br. brig Julia, Shoesford, from New-York for Para. The Br. brig Conquest, Hand, sailed for New-York a few da. previously.

Schr. Pioneer, (of P. E. I.,) Morrison, Halifax 10 da., with barley to E. F. Buck & Co.

Schr. Onondaga, (Br., of Turks Island,) Graham, Sagua, 17 da., with salt to H. M. Brown & Co.

Schr. Lady Bradford, Freeman, Hingham 20 da., with lumber and ice to E. Foster, Son & Co.

Schr. Sarah Caroline, (Br.,) Burke, Charlottetown, P. E. I., 5 da., with oats to E. F. Buck & Co.

Schr. Rover, (Br.,) O'Brien, Halifax 6 da., with fish to E. F. Sewall & Co.

WIND—Sunset, N. W.

Sailed.

Ships Robin Hood, Acsis, Peruvian.

Barks Mozambique, Angola Brewer, Bellver, Whitestone, Fanny Fisher.

Brigs N. Jacobsen, Talma, Jaquito, Allen, Scotland, Batchellor, Brothers, Henry M. Heine.

Schooners Rescue, Alice T. Ridgewood, Pearl, G. P. Taylor, Highland, Alice, Hinds, Pride of the Isles, and others.

Steamer Detroit.

Below.

Ship Mountaineer, from New-Orleans.

Ship Alexander, Crosby, from Newport, W., Nov. 9.

Bark Atlantic, (Bremen,) from Bremen Nov. 8.

Bark Schiller, (Bremen,) Bohr, Rotterdam Oct. 25.

Bark Oder, Nom Malanzas.

Bark Palmyra, (Br.,) Crosker, from Antiguan Oct. 11.

Also 2 ships, 1 bark and 2 brigs, unknown.

Miscellaneous.

From Barbados we have the following: In port bark Hessel Gustle, of Genoa, from Sagunaine for London, having been in collision Nov. 21, in about lat. 36 40 N., and lon. 64 30 W., with bark Diamond, of New-York. The W. G. was cut down to the water's edge.

The Italian frigate Re d'Italia has been got off, and is at anchor near the Highlands.

11½ A. M.—She is now coming up the bay in tow of three steamtugs.

Domestic Ports.

HOLMES' HOLE, Dec. 28.—Arr., ship Florida, Milbridge for New-York; brig Vincennes, Hodgson, Newburyport for Washington, D. C.; schr. Mary Brian, Jerry, Rockland for New-York. Sld. schr. Silver Magnet, U. S. revenue cutter Agassiz.

9th, A. M.—Wind, N. N. W., no survyals.

In port, the above arrivals, and brig Chesapeake, Coker, Simmons, Clara Fenelon, Mangum, Susan Moore and Barnard.

Spoken, &c.

Arago—steamship, hence for Port Royal, off Stone Inlet.

Prometheus—steamship, bound S., off Charleston.

Wild Hunter—ship, from California for Mauritius, in the Gulfstream.

Foreign Ports.

At Gonaives 13th inst., brig Lillian, for Boston in 7 da.

At Grand Turk, T. I., 16th inst., brig Wm. Allen, (Br.,) Stubbs, for Philadelphia about 23d; schr. Sd. Lawrence, (Br.,) Ryden, for Baltimore on the 18th or 20th.

At St. Helena, brig Zuleika, of Halifax, N. S., Phipps, from Lisanda Nov. 11. Also bark Burlington, of Bath, from Mauritius for England.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

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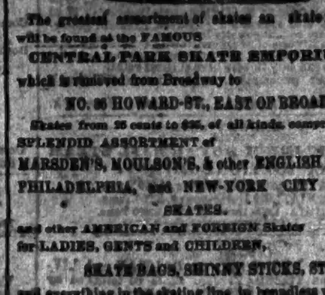

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